Percy Richards

Town of Braintree.

1899.

Annual Report of the Receipts and Expenditures

—OF THE—

TOWN OF BRAINTREE

—FROM—

DEC. 31, 1898 TO DEC. 31, 1899.

—TOGETHER WITH THE—

Report of the Board of School Committee, Engineers of Fire Department, Water Commissioners,

—AND—

MANAGER OF ELECTRIC LIGHT PLANT.

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TOWN OFFICERS FOR 1899.

Moderator.
F. A. HOBART.

Town Clerk.
HENRY A. MONK.

Town Treasurer.
BENJAMIN F. DYER.

Selectmen, Assessors, Overseers of Poor and Highway Surveyors
ANSEL O. CLARK,
WILLIAM W. MAYHEW, J. PARKER HAYWARD.

Water Commissioners and Sinking Fund Commissioners.
JAMES T. STEVENS,
T. HAVEN DEARING, JOHN KELLEY.

School Committee.
MRS. ANNIE M. BROOKS, MRS. CARRIE F. LORING,
ALBION C. DRINKWATER, THOMAS A. WATSON.
C. F. HILL CRATHERN, WILLIAM C. HARDING.

Auditors.
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CHARLES S. BATES.

Fence Viewers.
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WILLIAM A. KANE.

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THOMAS DOWNEY, HENRY DUGAN, JR.
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JAMES C. STARKEY, WILLIAM E. MAYBURY
ALBERT R. HOBART.

REPORT

——OF THE——

SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS, OVERSEERS OF POOR AND HIGHWAY SURVEYORS

——OF THE——

TOWN OF BRAINTREE,

For the Year Ending December 31st, 1899.

In accordance with the By-Laws of the Town of Braintree, the Board of Selectmen, Assessors, Overseers of Poor and Highway Surveyors, respectfully submit their Annual Report, showing the appropriations and expenditures for the year ending December 31, 1899.

ANSEL O. CLARK,
WM. W. MAYHEW,
J. PARKER HAYWARD,

Selectmen, Assessors, Overseers of Poor, and Highway Surveyors.

LIST OF APPROPRIATIONS, MARCH 1899.

Pay of School teachers in addition to school fund and dog tax	$14,950 00	
Supt. of schools	1,400 00	
janitors of schools	1,808 00	
text books and supplies	1,600 00	
incidentals for schools	400 00	
schoolhouse improvements	1,000 00	
fuel for schools	1,200 00	
conveyance of pupils	750 00	
support of poor	4,000 00	
soldiers relief	400 00	
soldiers aid	75 00	
incidental expenses	2,500 00	
Town officers	3,650 00	
general repairs of highways and bridges	5,400 00	
widening Commercial street	2,500 00	
removal of snow	3,500 00	
collection and abatement of taxes	1,500 00	
insurance	700 00	
drawbridge	100 00	
town hall	100 00	
town lands	50 00	
court fees and expenses	100 00	
janitor of town hall and library	600 00	
water dept. hydrant service	4,175 00	
water dept. sinking funds	5,120 00	
electric light dept street lights	8,500 00	
fire dept. pay of members	1,225 00	
general expenses and repairs	900 00	
new hose	325 00	
extension of fire alarm	400 00	
repairs of fire alarm	300 00	
changing system fire alarm	300 00	
general repairs of sidewalks	700 00	
sidewalk Franklin street	300 00	
notes payable Perkins school	3,100 00	
notes payable Monatiquot school	3,300 00	
electric light dept. 2 notes	2,500 00	
night police	2,190 00	
interest on town debt	5,000 00	
public library	1,000 00	
		$87,918 00
less bank and corporation tax		7,000 00
		$80,918.00

PAY OF SCHOOL TEACHERS.

High School.

Paid Joseph A. Euart	$1,200 00	
Celia F. Stacy	810 00	
Julia E. Ellsworth	227 50	
Ella Macgregor	616 00	
Harry A. Wasson	240 00	
Angie M. Dresser	137 50	
Conrad W. Crooker, music	24 00	
S. Emma Keith	112 50	
Bertha P. Chase	87 50	
		$3,455 00

Monatiquot School.

Paid W. Stanwood Field	$780 00	
Josephine B. Colbert	480 00	
Margaret E. C. Bannon	477 33	
Mabel F Alden	408 00	
Florence L Elliott	240 00	
Theresa G. O'Rourke	346 00	
Rosalie S. Bayley	80 00	
Amy W Shaw	160 00	
M. Esther Pike	137 00	
Alice M. Lilly	110 00	
Helen L. Galvin	40 00	
		$3,258 33

Jonas Perkins.

Paid Victoria P. Wilde	$900 00	
Nellie E. Bowles	450 00	
Mary A. Vining	480 00	
Elizabeth Simmons	255 00	
Grace M. Ward	416 00	
Carrie A. Rogers	200 00	
Nellie F. Monk	462 00	
Fanny Ellsworth	255 00	
Theresa G. O'Rourke	85 00	
Grace Randall	371 00	
Florence G. Fish	320 00	
Viola Bicknell	160 00	
Bertha H. Waldron	36 00	
Mary E. Kennedy	24 00	
		$4,414 00

Union School.

Paid Avis A. Thayer	$514 00	
Hannah C. Whelan	469 50	
Mabel L. Bates	450 00	
Elizabeth B. Pray	400 00	
Nina B. Gage	24 00	
Belle R. Newton	36 00	
		$1,893 50

Pond School.

Paid Sarah L. Arnold	$570 00	
Ethel E. Roberts	170 00	
Rosalie S. Bayley	167 50	
Annie M. Brooks	459 45	
Emily A. Lapham	191 25	
Ella M. Philips	80 00	
Margaret F. Fielden . . .	240 00	
Harriet M. Hill	400 00	
Florence G. Fish	12 00	
Clara E. Breitling	14 10	
Mabel E. Whitcomb . . .	24 00	
		$2,328 30

Middle Street School.

Paid Mabel F. Knight	$400 00	$400 00

South West School.

Paid Marion L. Rogers	$400 00	$400 00

Drawing.

Paid Helen E. Hews	$280 00	$280 00

Music.

Paid Mary L. French	$160 00	$160 00

Substitute.

Paid Harriet C. Taylor	$4 00	$4 00
Total for teachers		$16,593 13

JANITORS FOR SCHOOLS.

Appropriation, ...		$1,808 00
Paid John H. Macandrew . . .	$608 00	
William Orr	600 00	
J. Franklin Bates	264 00	
Sewell Nye	144 00	
John Whitty	120 00	
Willie P. Reed	40 00	
Francis H. Thayer	40 00	
		$1,816 00

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

Appropriation		$1,400 00
Paid I. W. Horne	$1400 04	

FUEL FOR SCHOOLS.

Appropriation		$1,200 00
Paid J. W. Sheppard & Sons . .	1,037 70	
B. H. Woodsum & Co. . . .	19 20	
F. F. Finnegan wood . .	42 75	
J. P. Rabery " . . .	10 00	
C. W. Middleton	1 80	
		$1,111 45

CONVEYANCE OF PUPILS.

Appropriation		$750 00
Paid Albert A. Drollett . . .	350 00	
Braintree St. Railway Co., . .	100 00	
Quincy " " " . .	150 50	
		$600 50

TEXT BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

Appropriation		$1,600 00
Paid American Book Co., . . .	$270 92	
George S. Perry & Co. . . .	216 28	
Willard Small	41 73	
Storrs Bement Co., . . .	1 90	
Rand, McNally & Co., . . .	96 00	
Jacob H. Studder	12 50	
Frank A. Bates	15 95	
Silver, Burdett & Co., . . .	159 27	

J. L. Hammett & Co.	228 20	
Ginn & Co.	101 81	
Joseph Gillotts & Sons	22 00	
Carter, Rice & Co.,	150 87	
Boston School Supply Co.	25 14	
L. E. Knott Apparatus Co	55 90	
Wm. Ware & Co.	33 34	
D. C. Heath & Co.	74 14	
Thorp, Martin Co.	8 80	
Mayhew Pub. Co.	14 49	
R. Frampton	50	
Oliver Ditson Co.	6 40	
Educational Pub. Co.	4 80	
Wadsworth, Howland Co.	11 09	
Benjamin H. Sanborn	83	
Houghton, Mifflin & Co.	42 55	
Frank A. Smith	2 32	
Wm. S. Butler	5 39	
Sibley Ducker	58	
Dewolf Fish	90	
Western Pub. House	10 80	
Joseph A. Ewart	4 50	
Prang Educational Co.	88 80	
F. H. Castor	1 19	
Bates, Torrey Co.	9 25	
Lee & Sheppard	6 42	
Tracy, Gibbs & Co.	22 80	
White & Wetherbee	50 00	
John P. Lovell Arms Co.	3 50	
George H. Holden	18 75	
Allyn & Bacon	33	
Isaac Pitman & Sons	8 24	
McMillan & Co.	28 13	
Harper Brothers	12 66	
Frost & Adams	18 46	
Kasson Palmer	5 00	
Suffolk Ink Co.	10 25	
Edward E. Babb	22 57	
Thompson, Brown & Co.	23 52	
Buncio Matsuke	5 00	
		$1,954 77

INCIDENTIALS FOR SCHOOLS.

Appropriation		$500.00
Geo. W. Prescott & Sons	$124 33	
Weymouth & Braintree Pub. Co.	23 35	

Pratt & Pratt	42 16	
Wallace Spooner	22 75	
Woodsum Ex. Co.	39 05	
Browns Braintree Ex.	32 35	
New York & Boston Ex	12 15	
Thorp Martin & Co.	47 71	
Edward E. Babb	16 71	
J. L. Hammett & Co.	8 97	
Ginn & Co.	3 33	
D. B. Litchfield	6 45	
Sheppard & Samuels	3 18	
Braintree Electric Light	12 83	
D. C. Heath & Co.	92	
E. M. Jackson agt.	70	
W. F. Humphrey	50	
H. C. Woodsum	5 00	
Joseph A. Ewart	18 44	
John Gallivan	9 00	
A. J. Wilkinson	40	
Horace F. Hunt	8 00	
Wm. C. Bates	25 00	
R. Frampton	5 70	
J. W. Bailey	14 70	
John P. Robery	1 00	
I. W. Horne	13 55	
J. D. French	35 75	
Library Bureau	2 95	
American Book Co.	28	
Langman Green & Co.	1 80	
Harper Bros.	85	
Houghton Mifflin & Co.	83	
Willard Small	1 84	
Willie P. Reed	1 40	
		$543 94

SCHOOL HOUSE REPAIRS AND INCIDENTALS.

Appropriation		$1,000 00
Chas. O. Miller	$400 57	
Wm. May	224 30	
Geo. H. Holbrook	227 26	
Braintree Electric Light Dept.	45 47	
J. D. Jewett & Co.	10 65	
A. W. Hastings	5 80	
H. M. White	38	
A. T. Stearns Lumber Co.	25 36	
A. J. Wilkinson	20 46	

Jordan, Marsh & Co.	34 93
W. A. Torrey	1 95
J. M. Arnold	1 30
Braintree Water Dept.	134 55
Grand Rapids Furniture Co.	142 47
Sheppard & Samuels	10 50
John E. Orr	2 50
J. B. Rhines & Co.	6 46
O. M. Rogers	136 02
E. M. Jackson	71
Eagle Oil & Supply Co.	4 88
Wolworth Mfg. Co.	16 99
A. Worcester & Sons	4 00
William Orr	7 00
Elihu Oliver	2 25
C. F. Loring	1 00
E. G. McGill	2 00
James Connell	4 80
J. T. Weeks	4 70
Sewell Nye	5 60
S. F. Brown	12 03
A. L. Hobart	35 75
C. D. Harlow	4 85
H. W. Borden	32 46
Burdette & Williams	4 00
M. M. Bates	6 65
Frank A. Bates	39 89
W. Stanwood Field	17 00
I. W. Horne	18 80
J. H. Malvena	39 50
Peter Ness	55 86
Fore River Engine Co.	75
Bon Ami Co.	10 00
S. R. Eaton	12 05
A. E. Bradford	10 50
Nelson H. Brown	12 00
Wadsworth Howland Co.	3 33
J. L. Hammett & Co.	16 33
Waldo Bros.	102 00
B. D. Litchfield	68 53
Richard Belya	7 50
New York, N. H. & H. R. R.	5 76
White & Wetherbee	122 16
Allen & Lotts	50
Irving W. Wheeler	7 20
Barbour, Stockwell & Co.	106 68
Dorchester Building Co	10 20
Walworth Construction Co.	50 75

Geo. S. Perry & Co. . . .	21 45	
C. H. Hobart	15 93	
Mrs. F. R. Fitch	65	
F. O. Whitmarsh	6 00	
Morss & Whyte	12 00	
W. P. Browns Ex. . . .	2 75	
Houghton & Dutton . . .	10 98	
Wm. M. Hall	12 00	
Willie P. Reed	10	
F. A. Smith	1 00	
		$2,430 75

BRAINTREE POOR DEPARTMENT.

Appropriation	$1,500 00

Almshouse—*Dr.*

To appraisal January 1st, 1899 . .	$2059 65
Paid E. C. Litchfield, Superintendent .	480 00
hired girl	153 00
Henry W. Marshfield, groceries .	57 88
J. Marcus Arnold, groceries . .	64 15
C. H. Hobart, groceries . .	58 49
James T. Weeks groceries . .	46 98
H. M. White, groceries . .	7 06
Dyer & Sullivan, groceries . .	37 37
Bridgham Brothers . . .	37 08
John F. Eaton	46 31
George E. Jones, fish . . .	34 79
Ambler & Hobart, grain . .	183 60
C W. Hollis	35 71
J. F. Sheppard & Sons, coal . .	182 18
Ambler & Hobart, bill of 1898 .	88 17
Water Department . . .	53 00
Perry's Express	1 75
B. D. Litchfield, mason work . .	21 80
W. P. Brown, ex.	26 85
S. William E. Dailey . . .	48 62
A. W. Fay, burial of A. J. Eagan .	20 00
Ralph Houghton, burial of Charles Hayden	20 00
T. R. Fitch, dry goods . . .	11 76
Mrs. R. Frampton, dry goods .	13 27
N. B. Whitman, two years . .	12 60
E. C. Litchfield, cash paid supplies and labor	26 15

H. R. Proctor	7 23	
S. F. Brown, oil	13 58	
B. H. Woodsum Co., brick . .	3 00	
John B. Thomas, agent, standing grass	40 00	
T. H. Libby, fertilizer . . .	16 25	
Waldo Holbrook, labor . . .	18 80	
Royal Chemical Co. . . .	2 00	
John P Robury, brick . . .	7 00	
W. A. Torrey, supplies . . .	8 06	
E. H. Mattewson, standing grass .	15 00	
Francis Abele jr., vet. surgeon .	4 00	
J. B. Rhines	15 85	
William N. Cobb, tools and supplies	32 77	
Thomas J. Cain, removing Rebecca J. Thayer	3 00	
John Gallivan, extending steam pipes	22 00	
Braintree Clothing Co . . .	43 72	
H. H. Thayer, blacksmith . .	2 70	
Edward Shay	21 85	
J. H. Schrant, bread . . .	17 00	
D. H. B. Thayer, express . .	5 00	
		$4,127 03

ALMSHOUSE—*Cr.*

To appraisal January 1st, 1900 . .	$1,847 10	
Kindling for schools . . .	25 82	
Kindling for Town Hall . .	15 60	
Kindling for Public Library . .	9 40	
Ploughing snow	15 25	
Wood furnished Martha Penniman	24 00	
Sale of cow	52 50	
Standing grass	10 00	
Care of sick person . . .	10 00	
Cash cr. to board of Mrs. R. Thayer	21 00	
Due for board of Mrs. R. Thayer .	39 00	
810 tramps at 10cts. . . .	81 00	
35 prisoners at 25cts . . .	8 75	
		$2,159 42
		$1,967 61

INMATES OF ALMSHOUSE.

NAME.	AGE.	DAYS
Charles Hayden	92	294
Abraham Mead	81	365
George Littlefield	72	365
William Patterson	64	365
Napoleon Benjamin	37	365
Andrew Eagan	72	14
Edward Mellen	69	365
Joseph Whiteley	65	101
Maria Kelley	35	160
Mary Goodman	62	365
Sarah McCormick	60	238
Rebecca Thayer	83	140
Lydia Whitmarsh	25	52
Number of days		3,189

Number of weeks, 455½
Cost per week, $4.32+

POOR OUT OF ALMSHOUSE.

Appropriation		$2,500 00
Paid Medfield Asylum, support of Emily C. Hansen	$146 00	
Medfield Asylum, support of Lulinda R. Shaw	146 00	
Westborough Hospital, support of Margaret Downey	169 46	
Massachusetts Hospital for epileptics Isabel C. Foster	169 46	
Massachusetts Hospital, John Hennessy	146 00	
Massachusetts Hospital, Margaret Richardson	146 00	
Massachusetts General Hospital, William Richardson	11 00	
City of Boston, aid to William A. Holmes	31 60	
City of Boston, aid to Mary Egan	75 00	
City of Boston, aid to Thomas J. Welch	17 57	
City of Boston, aid to Alice M. Reed	43 75	
City of Boston, aid to John Dolan	49 00	
City of Worcester, aid to Thelma E. Jacks	55 72	

City of Chelsea, aid to Sarah Ann Thayer	4 00	
City of Quincy, aid to William H. Mulligan	12 40	
Town of Weymouth, aid to Maurice Dowd and family . . .	259 83	
Town of Melrose, aid to George E. Pratt and family . . .	223 04	
Town of Wakefield, aid to George E. Pratt	1 50	
Town of Pembroke, aid to Etta E. Whitmarsh	5 00	
Paid Cash aid to Mrs. William Hearn and family. . . .	$212 00	
		$212 00
Paid George B. Jones, support of Annie L. Jones	$78 00	$78 00

THOMAS J. DALTON AND FAMILY.

Paid Wm. B. Gutterson, groceries .	$33 25	
J. F. Sheppard & Sons, fuel . .	20 10	
A. D. Tirrell, shoes	3 60	
		$56 95

MARTHA PENNIMAN.

Paid Mrs. Reuben Newcomb, nursing .	$52 50	
George Gerrior, meat . . .	40	
C. H. Hobart, groceries . . .	50 08	
W. A. Torrey, medecine . . .	1 20	
Elmer E. Dyer, wood	7 00	
		$111 18

JOSEPH WHITELEY.

Paid James Wilson groceries . .	$68 00	
J. F. Sheppard & Sons, fuel . .	18 75	
Codman & Shurtleff, truss . .	4 00	
T. H. Dearing medical attendance .	1 50	
A. D. Tirrell, shoes	2 25	
Cash aid	1 00	
		$95 50

PAUL DELOREY.

Paid C. W. Hollis, provisions . .	$18 50	
R. A. Gage, fuel	3 25	
James T. Weeks, groceries, . .	15 00	
		$36 75

Mrs. Arthur O'Connor and Family.

Paid Wm. B. Gutterson, groceries .	$119 03	
J. F. Sheppard & Sons, fuel . .	24 58	
Annie O'Connor, rent . . .	40 00	
A. D. Tirrell, shoes . . .	9 40	
T. H. Dearing, medical attendance	4 50	
		$197 51

Mrs. C. F. Packard and Family.

Paid F. A. Hobart, house rent . .	$110 00	
Bridgham Brothers provisions .	78 00	
		$188 00

John D. Lorey.

Paid Gutterson & Dame, groceries .	$6 04	$6 04

James E. Holbrook.

Paid James T. Weeks, groceries . .	$3 00	$3 00

Mrs. L. E. Callaghan.

Paid James T. Weeks, groceries . .	$6 00	
R. Allen Gage, fuel . . .	3 25	
Caleb J Dimmock, rent . . .	18 00	
		$27 25

Edward G. Buker and Family.

Paid Henry W. Mansfield, groceries .	$93 00	
J. F. Sheppard & Sons, fuel . .	9 05	
		$102 05

Julia A. French.

Paid Lydia H. Bishop, rent . . .	$52 00	$52 00

Mrs. Stephen P. Jones and Family.

Paid Cash aid	$64 00	$64 00

Mrs. S. A. F. Mansfield and Family.

Paid Dyer & Sullivan, groceries . .	$55 00	$55 00

Sarah McCormack.

Paid H. M. White, groceries . .	$1 00	
Bridgham Bros. " . . .	1 50	
		$2 50

Charles E. Holbrook and Family.

James T. Weeks, groceries . . .	$8 00	
R. Allen Gage, fuel . . .	5 50	
		$13 50

Walter Johnson and Family.

Paid J. F. Sheppard & Sons, coal .	$3 15	$3 15

Leonardo Morales.

Paid J. F. Sheppard & Sons . . .	$20 40	$20 40

Mrs. S. G. Leavitt.

Paid R. Allen Gage, fuel . . .	$ 70	
T. H. Dearing, medical aid . .	5 50	
		$6 20

Simon De Young and Family.

Paid L. W. Spaulding shoes. . .	$4 95	$4 95

Mrs. E. K. Chamberlain.

Paid Elmer E. Dyer, wood . . .	$7 00	$7 00

POOR OF OTHER TOWNS AND STATE.

John D. McDonald and Family.

(Charged to State.)

Paid James T. Weeks, groceries . .	$20 80	
J. M. Arnold, " . .	12 00	
R. Allen Gage, fuel . . .	2 00	
T. H. Dearing, medical aid . .	5 50	
		$40 30

Benjamin DeCoste. (state)

Paid Gutterson & Dame, groceries .	$20 75	
James Wilson, groceries . .	2 00	
J. F. Sheppard & Sons, coal . .	13 00	
Theodore Edson, milk . . .	6 58	
A. D. Tirrell, shoes . . .	1 25	
		$43 58

Moses Boy. (state.)

Paid L. W. Spaulding, shoes . . .	$1 35	$1 35

JOHN NEVILLE AND FAMILY. (state)

Paid B. H. Woodsum Co., fuel . .	$3 40	
H. M. White, grocceries . .	3 00	
		$6 40

MRS. ELLEN FULLER. (state.)

Paid R Allen Gage, coal . . .	$7 00	$7 00

JOHN MATTHEWS AND FAMILY. (state.)

Paid T. J. Cain, transportation . .	$2 25	$2 25

FRANK MORRISON. (state.)

Paid J. F. Sheppard & Sons. coal . .	$3 15	$3 15

ALVA M. NIGHTINGALE. (Duxbury.)

Paid Bridgham Bros., groceries . .	$19 00	$19 00
Cost of poor, ...		$3,178 29

Credit.

Due from state	$104 03	
Due from town of Duxbury . .	19 00	
		$123 03

HOSPITAL ACCOUNT.

Paid Hospitals for support of insane .	$526 24	

Credit.

By cash refunded	$484 92	
Balance due	$41 32	

SOLDIERS RELIEF. ACTS OF 1890.

Appropriation		$400 00
Paid E. H. Doble & Co., groceries to Michael Sullivan	$83 90	
Francis Collamore, med. att., S. E. Whitmarsh	34 25	
Cash aid to Jonathan R. Clark .	40 00	
Cash aid to Emma M. Randall .	100 00	
Cash aid to George B. Jones .	120 00	

Town of Randolph, aid to Olive M. Jones	60 00	
Dr. F. C. Granger, med. att. to Olive M. Jones	23 00	
J. M. Arnold, groceries to Caleb H. Hayden	17 00	
Dr. F. W. Brett, med. att., to Caleb H. Hayden	16 67	
Albert A. Drollett, wood to Caleb H. Hayden	2 00	
J. M. Arnold, groceries to Fred W. Ingraham	6 00	
R. Allen Gage, fuel to Fred W. Ingraham	3 62	
		$506 44

STATE AID CHAPTER 374 ACTS OF 1899.

Appropriation		$2,600 00
Cash paid soldiers and families of soldiers	$2,360 00	
Cash paid for burial of soldiers .	70 00	
Cash paid soldiers and families of soldiers for December 1898 .	1 95	
		$2,625 00
Due from State	$2,625 00	

STATE AID CHAPTER 561, ACTS OF 1898.

Cash paid familes of soldiers	$48 00	
" " " " " December 1898	24 00	
		$72 00
Due from State	$72 00	

MILITARY AID CHAPTER 372, ACTS OF 1899.

Paid Samuel E. Whitmarsh	$144 00	
" " " December 1898	12 00	
		$156 00
One-half due from State . , .	$78 00	

REMOVAL OF SNOW.

Appropriation		$3,500 00
Paid A. O. Clark, sundry bills labor .	$776 95	
Thomas F. Finnegan	63 20	
Michael J. Brandley	32 85	
George H. White	10 00	

Elmer E. Dyer	26 20	
J. M. Cutting, Jr.	1 00	
H. H. Thayer, repairing plough .	3 35	
C. G. Anderson, building new plough	22 50	
Richard Belyea, building new plough	25 00	
H. W. Borden, cutting trees . .	40 37	
Electric Light Dept, cutting trees on Adams and Commercial streets	7 50	
		$1,008 92
Paid Wm. W. Mayhew, sundry bills labor	$747 46	
Albert A. Drollett	142 12	
William May	121 30	
R. Allen Gage	76 80	
Andrew and Bernard Burns . .	6 90	
A. A. Joan	4 50	
Benjamin Hawes	2 00	
Frank A. Bates, tools	2 00	
		$1,103 08
Paid J. P. Hayward, sundry bills labor	$1,025 69	
George E. Fogg	104 42	
Elmer H. Vinton	107 68	
John P. Rolery	57 17	
W. P. Brown	8 10	
		$1,303 06
		$3,415 06

INCIDENTAL EXPENSES.

Appropriation		$2,500 00
Paid Weymouth & Braintree Pub. Co. .	$431 05	
Pratt & Pratt, printing . . .	114 95	
Geo. W. Prescott, printing . .	76 50	
W. A. Torrey, stamps and stationery	44 25	
Geo. Maguire, County of Norfolk .	34 84	
M. A. Minchin, stamps . . .	2 00	
White & Wetherbee, assessors' plans	328 45	
E. W. Hobart, inspector of cattle and provisions	182 00	
E. W. Hobart, inspector's supplies	10 00	
E. W. Hobart, measuring roads	25 00	
E. W. Hobart, putting up street signs	5 00	

Electric Light, for Co. K, 5th Regt.	43 62
Dr. F. C. Granger, returning births	6 00
Dr. H. L. Dearing, returning births	1 50
Dr. T. H. Dearing, returning births	8 75
Dr. G. D. Bullock, returning births	3 75
Dr. A. L. Chase, returning births .	50
Dr. J. C. Frazier, returning births .	50
Dr. Wm. D. Holmes, returning births	1 25
Francis L. King, returning deaths	11 00
Ralph Houghton, returning deaths .	2 00
Wales Bros., repairing pumps .	9 00
W. A. Kane, refreshments for Registrars	10 00
W. A. Kane, election officer . .	5 00
Will H. Shaw, election officer .	5 00
C. A. Belcher, election officer .	5 00
J. T. Powers, election officer .	5 00
R. L. Arnold, election officer .	5 00
D. E. Dugan, election officer .	5 00
Geo. W. Stevens, election officer .	5 00
Albert F. Hollis, election officer .	3 00
Caleb Thompson, election officer .	3 00
F. W. Crooker, election officer .	3 00
B. T. Dyer, election officer . .	3 00
C. G. Jordan, election officer . .	3 00
C. G. Jordan, distributing Town Reports	5 00
John J. Maher, distributing Town Reports	2 50
R. Allen Gage, distributing Town Reports	3 00
E. O. Smith, distributing Town Reports	3 00
Aaron R. Gay, supplies . . .	1 38
Samuel Hobbs, supplies . . .	1 17
M. R. Warren, books, etc., . .	14 55
S. F. Blanchard, supplies . .	1 75
D. B. Fletcher & Co. supplies .	3 60
James Gill, land damages on Washington street	127 00
John F. Kemp repairing and retubing steam roller	292 67
Men for forest fires . . .	111 50
John Gallivan, forest fires . .	21 10
Alden H. Holbrook, forest fires .	1 50

J. F. Gallivan, forest fires . .	1 80
C. E. Smart, forest fires . . .	2 25
Geo. A. Call, forest fires . .	4 80
Kent & Lothrop, refreshments at forest fires	1 80
H. M. White, refreshments at forest fires	1 29
Thomas B. Stoddard, making and painting signs	73 50
Thomas B. Stoddard, repairing flag	2 75
National Granite Bank, rent for Armory	400 00
National Granite Bank, heat for Armory	100 00
City of Quincy, use of lock-up .	2 20
Myron L. Hobart, posts and putting up signs	14 82
B. F. Dyer, postage stamps . .	1 00
P. D. Holbrook estate . . .	37 85
Emma Sumner, refreshments election day	17 00
Daniel Potter clerk, of committee on Morrison Electric Light .	20 00
Daniel Potter, clerk of committee on appropriations . . .	10 00
E. Bourk, expense on Town Reports	10 00
Knights of Pythias, room rent .	4 00
Stephen Penniman, carriage hire .	5 00
L. E. Burdakin, for Transcripts .	20 00
Wallace Wilson, services on Morrison Electric Light case . .	100 00
H. L. White, witness and plans on Morrison Electric Light case .	10 50
White & Wetherbee, plans for Mill lane	9 25
Thomas J. Cain, horse hire . .	18 75
Hartley L. White, witness on Holbrook case	8 15
Thomas Downey, witness on Holbrook case	8 00
Phillip H. Sullivan, witness on Holbrook case	8 25
E. A. Dustin, witness on Holbrook case	2 00
A. O. Clark, witness on Holbrook case	18 85
J. R. Qualey, witness on Holbrook case	6 00

F. A. Hobart, witness on Holbrook case	2 75
Elisha Thayer, witness on Holbrook case	2 75
Sarah L. Arnold, witness on Holbrook case	2 75
Adam W. Hobart & Son, witness on Holbrook case	19 25
Charles F. Minchin, witness on Holbrook case	8 25
Thomas Frichette, witness on Holbrook case	8 26
Sundry bills and expenses on Holbrook case	14 26
J. W. McAnarney, on Holbrook case	972 78
White & Wetherbee, on Holbrook case	8 70
R. E. Belcher, special police . .	3 00
James H. King, special police .	2 00
Eugene Coy, special police . .	2 00
J. F. Mohan, special police . .	3 00
Azra H. Keith, special police .	3 00
C. M. Revere, special police . .	2 00
J. F. Galligan, special police . .	3 00
E. H. Mathewson, special police .	3 00
C. H. Hobart, supplies . . .	8 09
Joseph W. Stetson, killing dog .	1 00
R. Allen Gage, Plain Street Cemetery	3 00
R. Allen Gage, putting up road signs	3 50
H. A. Monk, recording marriages, births and deaths . . .	94 90
H. A. Monk, copying . . .	30 00
H. A. Monk, cash expenses . .	4 26
B. F. Dyer, cash expenses . .	13 80
A. O. Clark, cash expenses . .	34 10
W. W. Mayhew, cash expenses .	9 48
J. P. Hayward, cash expenses .	4 40
J. R. Carmichael, car fare . .	70
D. H. B. Thayer Boston express .	3 25
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, tally board	5 00
Thorp, Martin & Co., supplies .	80
Water Dept. labor on water tank, Granite street	27 04
Geo. H. Holbrook, stock and labor	5 67

Dr. G. W. Tinkham, medical attendance on prisoner	3 00	
Wm. S. Tracy, refreshments for Registrars and tellers and election officers	25 00	
		$4,249 17

Credit.

Received from State Armory rent, .	400 00	

TOWN OFFICERS.

Appropriation		$3,650 00
Paid Ansel O. Clark, Selectman, Assessor, Overseer of the Poor and Highway Surveyor	$650 00	
William W. Mayhew, Selectman, Assessor, Overseer of the Poor and Highway Surveyor . .	650 00	
J. Parker Hayward, Selectman, Assessor, Overseer of the Poor and Highway Surveyor	650 00	
Benjamin F. Dyer, Treasurer .	533 00	
Henry A. Monk, Clerk	500 00	
F. A. Hobart, services as Moderator	30 00	
James T. Stevens, Water Commissioner	100 00	
T. Haven Dearing, Water Commissioner	100 00	
John Kelley, Water Commissioner	133 00	
A. S. Morrison, Registrar of Voters	35 00	
A. E. Avery, Registrar of Voters .	35 00	
Daniel Potter, Auditor	110 00	
Horace Faxon, Constable . .	14 00	
John Kelley, Constable . . .	3 00	
James R. Qualey, Constable . .	33 80	
Thomas Downey, Constable. . .	7 00	
Conrad Mischler, Constable . .	11 00	
John Gallivan, Constable . .	8 33	
Horace F. Hunt, Constable . .	9 33	
Henry Dugan, Jr. Constable . .	8 33	
Edward M. Wight, Constable .	3 00	
P. D. Holbrook estate . . .	27 00	
		$3,650 79

HIGHWAYS.

A. O. Clark, Surveyor.

Paid Andrew Dyer, superintendent and team	$454 14
Thomas F. Finnegan, team and man	323 33
Michael J. Brandley and team	169 27
John M. Brandley	90 00
John E. Finnegan	241 10
Alden H. Holbrook	147 42
Eugene O. Smith	121 65
John McManus	90 77
William B. Lincoln	17 00
Benjamin C. Bannon	16 00
Thomas Penniman	2 25
George E. Sampson	2 00
N. Augustus White, 78 loads gravel	4 68
Frank W. Brett, 48 loads gravel	6 00
J. Willie Hayden, 203 loads gravel	20 30
Hannah F. Courser, 35 loads gravel	2 80
L. Bradford Hollis, 194 loads gravel	15 52
D. T. Perkins, 22 loads gravel	2 20
Whitfield Witherell, 15 loads gravel	1 20
Charlotte A. Hayden, 51 loads gravel	5 10
Stephen Thayer, 36 loads gravel	2 16
Cornelius Sullivan, 48 loads gravel	4 80
Thayer Academy, 94 loads gravel	15 67
N. H. Hunt, 328 loads gravel	26 24
Sidney Smith, 7 loads gravel	35
Peter J. Link, carting stone to crusher	9 38
C. M. Patterson, carting stone to crusher	11 29
Hunt Brothers, carting stone to crusher	15 32
A. A. Drollett, carting stone to crusher	4 75
William May, carting stone to crusher	2 29
N. E. Hollis, carting stone to crusher	14 00
William E. Dailey, stone	3 15
Mrs. E. Dunkerly, 200 loads stone	10 00
George Gerrior, labor	5 33
John A. Brigham, labor	11 10
E. W. Hobart, posts	11 00
J. B. Rhines & Co., lumber	41 20
W. F. Sanborn, lumber	20 22

J. F. Gallivan, labor . . .	9 00	
John Gallivan, labor . . .	10 75	
B. H. Woodsum & Co., drain pipe and coal	62 29	
D. W. Lewis, grates . . .	12 00	
C. H. Hobart, supplies . . .	9 30	
Town of Randolph, use of steam roller	33 33	
Eagle Oil and Supply Co., oil .	6 70	
William H. Cobb, tools . .	39 20	
H. H. Thayer, iron work . .	11 72	
Edward Shay, iron work . .	3 60	
C. G. Anderson, wood work .	3 25	
Dyer & Sullivan, oil . . .	33	
H. M. White, supplies . . .	1 57	
D. H. B. Thayer, expressing . .	2 00	
		$2,146 00

Credit.

By cash from Mrs. S. J. Hollingsworth .	$6 00	

SIDEWALK—FRANKLIN STREET.

Appropriation		$300 00
Paid Andrew Dyer and team, labor .	73 50	
Thomas F. Finnegan and team, labor	71 25	
Michael J. Brandley and team, labor	35 50	
John M. Brandley, labor . .	40 00	
John E. Finnegan, labor . .	41 00	
John McManus, labor . . .	42 00	
Eugene O. Smith, labor . . .	6 00	
Thayer Academy, 218 loads gravel	36 33	
		$345 58

HANCOCK AVENUE.

Appropriation		$200 00
Paid Andrew Dyer and team, labor .	$31 50	
Thomas F. Finnegan and team, labor	36 00	
Michael J. Brandley and team .	30 50	
John E. Finnegan, labor . .	18 00	
John M. Brandley, labor . .	18 00	
John McManus, labor . . .	18 00	
Eugene O. Smith, labor . . .	18 00	
White and Wetherbee, surveying	4 75	
		$174 75

REPAIR OF SIDEWALKS.

Paid Andrew Dyer and team, labor .	64 17	
Thomas F. Finnegan and team, labor	39 47	
Michael J. Brandley and team, labor	30 22	
John M. Brandley, labor . .	4 00	
John E. Finnegan, labor . .	21 67	
Alden H. Holbrook, labor . .	18 67	
Eugene O. Smith, labor . .	12 00	
Benjamin C. Bannon, labor . .	8 67	
Lawrence A. Dyer, labor . .	3 00	
George Gardner, 137 loads of ashes	13 70	
John S. Lane & Sons, fine stone .	22 62	
		$238 19

HIGHWAYS.

William W. Mayhew, Surveyor.

Paid James Maher and team . . .	$529 56	
John J. Maher	287 26	
Peter J. Donohoe	192 22	
Eli Frasier	123 11	
Maurice E. Flynn	127 76	
John D. Griffin, team . . .	56 25	
George E. Sampson, men and team	53 50	
William W. Mayhew . . .	10 75	
R. Allen Gage	3 50	
John E. Finnegan . . .	2 00	
Andrew Dyer	7 00	
Thomas F. Finnegan . . .	5 25	
Alden H. Holbrook . . .	3 55	
Whitfield Witherell, labor and material	16 90	
Thomas P. Fogg	5 00	
J. F. Gallivan	2 00	
Edward H. Drinkwater . . .	2 50	
Charles E. Stratton, 377 loads gravel	30 16	
R. Allen Gage, labor . . .	11 40	
B. H. Woodsum Co., coal and drain pipe	38 73	
George H. Holbrook, labor and material	58 61	
S. & E. Hollingsworth, gravel .	39 76	
White & Wetherbee, surveying .	18 70	
Alden A. Thorndike, setting curb stone	66 00	

B. H. Woodsum Co. . . .	1 80	
William H. Cobb	21 03	
C. M. Patterson, carting stone to crusher	6 04	
Hunt Brothers, carting stone to crusher	4 34	
A. S. Morrison, ashes . . .	2 40	
Frank A. Bates, tools . . .	4 10	
A. A. Drollet, carting stone . . .	8 85	
George E. Sampson and team, labor	7 44	
A. A. Drollett and team, labor .	54 14	
J. R. Qualey, setting curb . .	20 00	
Richard Belyea, iron work . .	1 54	
A. S. Morrison, gravel . . .	4 35	
J. M. Arnold, supplies . . .	63	
Charles E. Stratton, gravel . .	41 04	
Charles E. Will, horsehire . .	1 50	
William May, labor and material .	25 65	
William May, gravel . . .	3 50	
		$1,899 82

Credit.

By cash from J. R. Qualey . .	1 00	
H. L. Dearing	3 00	
F. A. Smith	7 75	
J. M. Arnold	12 61	
		$24 36

LOWELL AND PARK STREETS.

Paid James Maher and team, labor .	$45 50	
John J. Maher, labor	26 00	
Peter Donohoe, labor . . .	19 00	
Maurice E. Flynn, labor . .	16 00	
Eli Frasier, labor	13 00	
John D. Griffin, team . . .	15 75	
George Sampson, team . . .	10 50	
Charles E. Stratton, gravel . .	27 28	
White & Wetherbee, surveying .	24 95	
		$197 98

SIDEWALKS.

W. W. Mayhew Surveyor.

Paid James Maher and team, labor .	$89 25	
John J. Maher, labor, . . .	51 00	
Maurice E. Flynn, labor . .	49 00	

Peter J. Donahoe, labor . . .	49 00	
Eli Frasier, labor, . . .	51 00	
John D. Griffin, team . . .	36 75	
R. Allen Gage and team, labor .	35 50	
Thomas Levangie, labor . .	1 33	
John S. Lane & Sons, stone screenings	22 62	
		$385 45

MOUNT VERNON AVENUE.

Paid William May, balance on contract	$329 75	
White & Wetherbee, surveying .	31 40	
		$361 15

HIGHWAYS.

J. P. Hayward, Surveyor.

Paid Michael Preston, labor self and team	$312 06	
Geo. E. Fogg, labor man and team	78 12	
Geo. E. Fogg, 32 tons granite wall stone	59 39	
Winfield S. Glover, labor self and team	124 14	
Thomas Arthur, labor self and team	60 37	
John P. Robery, labor self and team	57 35	
Elmer H. Vinton, labor self and team	41 66	
Henry Ryan, labor self and team	17 50	
James Towler, labor self and team	65 62	
Dennis Kiley, labor . . .	105 87	
Garrett Haley, labor . . .	97 22	
John McMahon, labor . . .	81 00	
Benj. F. Spear, labor . . .	64 54	
James Chambers, labor . . .	33 00	
Wm. Buker, labor . . .	28 00	
Peter Smith, labor . . .	24 50	
James McMahon, labor . . .	28 00	
Samuel Henry, labor . . .	10 30	
Benj. De Young, labor . . .	14 00	
Connelius Smith, labor . . .	7 51	
Timothy J. O'Keef, labor . .	9 00	
Thomas P. Fogg, labor . .	12 88	
Benj. F. Torrey, labor . . .	24 50	
John O. Rourke, labor . . .	7 52	
John Summers, labor . . .	4 00	
Charles Bennett, labor . . .	2 42	

C. H. Morse, labor, engineer on roller	12 50	
Wm. Callahan, labor	2 00	
Walter Glover, labor	1 56	
Bert F. Buker, labor	60	
H. A. Richards, 137 loads gravel	13 70	
G. H. Field, 153 loads gravel	15 30	
Hews & Mason, 310 loads gravel	24 80	
P. S. Huckins, hardpine plank, Shaw St. bridge	130 28	
W. F. Sanborn, lumber	57 30	
Hayward Bros., carpenter work	21 96	
J. B. Rhines & Co., lumber	30 00	
Wm. Allen, labor stone work	46 84	
W. I. Jordan, iron work and tools	44 18	
W. H. Mace, damage to wagon	3 75	
F. O. Whitmarsh, brick work	7 30	
Boston Bridge Co., wheels for bridge	14 75	
Baker Hardware Co., tools	4 90	
		$1,802 19

SIDEWALKS.

J. P. Hayward Surveyor.

Paid Michael Preston, labor self and team	64 75	
Winfield S. Glover, labor self and team	26 25	
Thomas Arthur, labor self and team	24 50	
James Towler, labor self and team	10 50	
John McMahon' labor	35 50	
Garrett Haley, labor	20 00	
Dennis Kiley, labor	15 50	
James McMahon, labor	6 00	
Thomas P. Fogg, labor	4 00	
Wm. Buker, labor	4 00	
James Connell, labor	87	
John S. Lane & Son stone screenings	22 61	
		$234 48

WIDENING COMMERCIAL STREET.

J. P. Hayward Surveyor.

Appropriation	$7,500 00

Paid John P. Robery, labor self man and team	$462 50
Geo. E. Fogg, labor self man and taam	177 24
Winfield S. Glover, labor self and team	147 45
Thomas Arthur, labor self and team	45 52
Michael Preston, labor self and team	42 01
James Towler, labor . . .	45 51
Simon Rogers, labor . . .	14 11
James Chambers, labor . . .	155 69
Timothy J. O'Keefe, labor . .	110 50
Dennis Kiley, labor . . .	90 20
Wm. H. Buker, labor . . .	87 55
Garret Haley, labor . . .	83 09
James F. McDonnell, labor . .	73 55
Peter Smith, labor . . .	80 87
Amos S. Buker, labor . . .	58 00
Benj. F. Spear, labor . . .	88 42
John Summers, labor . . .	60 00
Patrick Kiley, labor . . .	45 32
John McMahon, labor . . .	45 09
Francis A. Gardner, labor . .	26 00
James McMahon, labor . .	10 50
Jerry Pitts, labor	14 00
Jacob Klay, labor . . .	8 00
John O. Rourke, labor . . .	9 54
Joseph Dalton, labor . . .	2 32
Simon Delory, labor . . .	5 10
Wm. De Young, labor . . .	1 50
Chas. H. Morse, labor, engineer steam roller	54 50
Wm. Faircloth, labor, engineer steam roller	31 50
John Gallivan, labor, engineer steam roller	33 20
White & Wetherbee, surveying and plans	239 35
Chas. McDermott & Son, contract	4,400 00
Water Dept., changing hydrants .	135 99
Electric Light Dept., labor and supplies	101 15
John Fallon & Sons, boundary post, edge stone and setting . . .	37 40
J. B. Rhines & Co., lumber . .	29 59
Hayward Bros., carpenter work .	23 61
Wm. Allen, stone work . .	60 54
J. F. Sheppard & Sons, coal for steam roller	60 72

W. I. Jordan, tools and iron work	18 07	
W. A. Ford, watering Stone Road	21 67	
John Kelley, for granite wall stone	40 00	
Thomas South, iron work . .	13 60	
J. F. Sheppard, edge stone . .	9 00	
W. H. Cobb, tools	12 20	
Alexander Kem, setting edge stone	6 80	
David W. Lewis, street traps .	10 67	
		$7,329 14

Credit.

Old brick stove	20 00	
Due from South Shore and Boston St. Railway Co.	412 32	

LAND DAMAGES ON WIDENING COMMERCIAL ST.

Appropriation		$5,000 00
Paid Hews & Mason	$1,256 00	
Rhoda S. Hill	2,500 00	
Mary A. and Annie L. Prescott .	146 00	
Betsy B. Hobart	180 00	
David J. Pierce	550 00	
Asa French for Sarah W. Glover est.	92 00	
John Kelley	65 00	
Albert Hobart	50 00	
C. F. Cavanagh, moving Bryant's stove	20 00	
John Griffin, moving building .	20 00	
Elizabeth Jordan	25 00	
Rachel S. Hewitson	15 00	
Union Religious Society . .	15 00	
Nettie E. Summers	13 00	
Wollaston Cooperative Bank .	7 00	
		$4,954 00

Credit.

By award of County Commissioners . $5,892 00

CARE OF DRAWBRIDGE.

Appropriation		$100 00
Paid Benj. F. Torrey	$115 00	

TOWN HALL.

Appropriation		$100 00
Paid John F. Kemp, retubing boiler .	$187 70	
F. O. Whitmarsh, stock and labor .	8 12	
O. M. Rogers, repairs . . .	49 33	
J. F. Sheppard & Sons, coal . .	52 16	
B. H. Woodsum Co., coal . .	9 00	
Water Dept., water and repairs .	87 14	
Electric Light Dept., light . .	169 32	
H. W. Borden, carpenter work .	55 28	
Thomas B. Stoddard, labor . .	69 77	
A. T. Stearns Lumber Co., lumber	39 40	
Henry H. Miller & Sons, repairs on piano	16 21	
E. A. Dustin, repairs on piano .	8 00	
Carlisle Pope & Co., window .	11 50	
C. H. Hobart, paint and supplies .	22 22	
Charles A. Hobart, carpenter work	1 50	
Hinkley Brothers, rope for flag .	2 63	
W. A. Torrey, supplies . . .	65	
Bubier & Co., repairs on vane .	11 10	
Fore River Engine Co., supplies .	1 20	
Boston Duster Co., supplies .	1 50	
H. W. Mansfield, supplies . .	8 81	
Bridgham Bros.	62	
George R. M. Bestick, repairing chairs	75	
		$813 91

Credit.

By cash received for use of Hall . .	$125 15	
Due	6 00	

JANITOR.

Appropriation		$600 00
Paid John R. Carmichael . . .	$600 00	

THAYER PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Appropriation		$1,000 00
Paid N. H. Hunt, treasurer of trustees .	$1,000 00	

DISTRIBUTING LIBRARY BOOKS.

Appropriation		$100 00
Paid Alverdo H. Mason . . .	$100 00	

COLLECTION AND ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

Appropriation		$1,500 00
Paid J. Elephas Hayward Abatement of tax of 1898	$5 46	
Henry F. Arnold, abatement of tax 1898	1 82	
Estate of O. Q. Ball	3 64	
George E. Rogers	113 54	
Estate of Franklin Shaw . .	400 00	
Frank A. Smith, Coll. abatements on tax 1897	606 50	
Frank A. Smith, collecting tax 1897	434 38	
Frank A. Smith, abatement tax 1898	238 94	
Frank A. Smith, on collecting tax 1898	500 00	
Morris Gurney, abatement tax 1898	3 58	
Frank A. Smith, Coll. tax deeds	56 61	
		$2,364 47

SINKING FUND.

Appropriation		$5,120 00
Paid Benjamin F. Dyer. treasurer .	$5,120 00	

NIGHT POLICE.

Appropriation		$2,190 00
Paid John Gallivan, services . . .	$733 00	
Henry Dugan, jr., services . .	730 00	
Horace F. Hunt, services . .	732 00	
		$2,195 00

COURT FEES AND EXPENSES.

Appropriation		$100 00
Paid J. R. Qualey	$33 70	
Horace F. Hunt	20 50	
John Gallivan	9 65	
John Kelley	8 78	
Henry Dugan jr.	4 90	
Thomas Downey	19 63	
Edward J. Curtis	2 65	

William Lyons	3 85	
William E. Morrison . . .	3 85	
Thomas B. Loud	6 86	
Benj. J. Loring	50	
City of Quincy	2 10	
		$116 97

Credit.

By fines paid	$138 85	

INSURANCE ON PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

Appropriation		$700 00
Paid C. H. Hobart	$258 41	
C. B. Cummings	541 50	
C. A. Belcher	505 50	
C. O. Miller	112 50	
		$1,417 91

POST 87, G. A. R.

Appropriation		$175 00
Paid Charles G. Anderson, Quartermaster	$175 00	

CO. K'S RECEPTION.

Paid Heury A. Monk, treasurer of Committee	$303 66	

TOWN LANDS.

Appropriation		$50 00
Paid A. O. Clark for labor . . .	$19 13	
Thomas Huston, labor . . .	3 00	
H. G. Rand, repairing lawn mower	1 75	
Wm. H. Cobb, tools . . .	2 05	
		$25 93

SPECIAL APPROPRIATION FOR SUPPRESSION OF THE SALE OF INTOXICATING LIQUORS.

Appropriation		$300 00

Paid Thomas Downey for services as constable	$122 50	
Conrad Mischler, for services as constable	18 00	
James R. Qualey	17 00	
Joseph W. Stetson	6 00	
John Bradley	3 00	
William Lyons	3 00	
Daniel R. McKay	8 00	
Henry Dugan jr.	1 25	
George A. Hunt, use of ieam . .	7 50	
Thomas J. Cain, use of team . .	14 25	
Charles E. Hill, use of team . .	6 50	
Charles H. Williams, use of team .	3 00	
Jonn Gallivan	40	
		$210 40

PENNIMAN SCHOOLHOUSE.

Appropriation		$15,000 00
Paid C. L. Mitchell, architect . .	$250 00	
White & Wetherbee, survey and plans	26 15	
Mackie Bros. builders, first payment	703 20	
Mackie Bros., builders, 2nd payment	934 40	
Mackie Bros. builders 3d payment .	1,773 60	
Mackie Bros. builders, 4th payment	1,645 60	
Mackie Bros. builders, 5th payment	1,076 80	
Mackie Bros. builders, 6th payment	1,024 00	
		$7,433 75

FIRE DEPARTMENT.—PAY OF MEMBERS.

Appropriation		$1,225 00

Engineers.

Paid Jeremiah F. Gallivan, chief . .	$50 00	
Oliver B. Battles	30 00	
John Kelley two years . . .	60 00	
		$140 00

Hose & Ladder No. 1.

Paid Theodore B. Allen, traasurer, pay of men	$167 81	
F. A. Smith, collector, taxes of members	59 19	
		$225 00

Hose Co. No. 2 & Hook & Ladder No. 2.

Paid C. V. Cottrall, services as steward	$65 00	
Charles M. Reviere, treas. of Hook and Ladder 2	164 98	
F. A. Smith, collector of taxes of members	15 02	
F. A. Smith, collector of taxes of members 1898	22 50	
Patrick J. Walsh, treasurer of Hose Co. 2	130 98	
F. A. Smith, collector of taxes of members	34 02	
George W. Reviere, services 8 months	10 00	
A. Gannon, services 11 months .	13 75	
		$456 25
Cr. by cash returned by P. J. Walsh treasurer of Hose 2 . . .	$9 00	

Hose Co. No. 3 & Hook & Ladder No. 1.

Paid James F. Lee, services as steward .	$67 00	
Edwin F. Watkins, treasurer of Hose Co. 3	138 15	
F. A. Smith, collector of taxes of members of Co. 3	41 85	
John J. Maher, treasurer of Hook and Ladder . . , . .	156 00	
F. A. Smith, collector taxes of members	24 00	
		$427 00

New Hose.

Appropriation		$325 00
Paid Combination Ladder Co., 700 feet	$325 00	

INCIDENTAL EXPENSES OF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

W. E. Decrow	$136 12
Bibber & White Co.	90 51
H. W. Borden, carpenter work .	51 59
D. H. B. Thayer, use of horses .	130 35
J. F. Sheppard & Sons use of horses	26 00
Dennis Griffin, use of horses . .	43 50
C. A. Belcher, use of horses . .	8 50
John J. Maher, use of horses . .	5 00
Charles E. Hill	3 50

Water department, water . .	30 00	
Electric Light department, light 3 houses	35 00	
Electric Gas Lighting Co., supplies	20 25	
Combination Ladder Co.. supplies .	81 30	
Cornelius Callahan Co., supplies .	28 25	
J. F. Sheppard & Sons, coal . .	12 50	
Beatie Zinc Works, supplies . .	43 75	
Durgin & Kirby, carpenter work .	40 65	
Walsh Brothers, painting . .	79 47	
W. P. Mercer, supt. of fire alarm .	100 00	
Brown's express	12 23	
Eagle Oil & Supply Co., supplies .	11 00	
C. D. Harlow, supplies . . .	25	
Charles H. Rice, supplies . .	6 66	
C. H. Hobart, supplies . . .	23 02	
Henry L. Thayer, use of reel . .	10 00	
N. Y. & B. Despatch Ex. Co. . .	55	
James Lee, watching fire . .	3 00	
Jemes Turley, watching fire . .	2 00	
Peter Smith, watching fire . .	2 00	
George A. Hunt, use of team . .	1 50	
C. W. Middleton, charcoal . .	60	
Edward McGibbons, repairs . .	2 75	
Fire Dept. Publishing Co., books .	5 00	
White & Wetherbee, maps . .	1 50	
Thomas South, iron work . .	23 75	
Crosby Steam Guage & Valve Co., supplies	52	
Stovene Mfg. Co., supplies . .	1 00	
Pratt & Pratt, printing . .	14 85	
John Robbins Mfg. Co. . .	1 25	
Dean Foster Co.	1 50	
Water Governor Co. . . .	87	
E. G. McGill, repairs . . .	14 60	
Oak Hall Clothing Co., 8 coals .	28 00	
Henry K. Barnes, supplies . .	28 20	
H. H. Thayer, repairs . . .	19 16	
C. G. Andersen, repairs . . .	13 00	
		$1,195 00

CHANGING SYSTEM OF FIRE ALARM.

Appropriation		$300 00
Paid W. E. Decrow, supplies . .	45 00	
Joseph Crawther, engine . .	30 00	
Bibber & White Co., material .	136 55	

Electric Light Dept., labor . .	17 49	
A. J. Wellington, supplies . .	20 00	
		$249 04

REPAIRS OF FIRE ALARM.

Appropriation		$300 00
Paid Electric Light Dept., labor . .	$135 60	
W. E. Decrow, supplies . . .	16 75	
		$152 35

EXTENDING FIRE ALARM.

Appropriation		$400 00
Paid Electric Light Dept., labor . .	$118 73	
W. E. Decrow, boxes	209 00	
Electric Gas Lighting Co., supplies	22 15	
		$349 88

HYDRANT SERVICE.

Appropriation		$4,175 00
Paid Benj. F. Dyer, treasurer . .	$4,175 00	

WATERING STREETS.

Paid Peter McConarty, for stand pipes .	$174 75	
Peter McConarty, for watering streets	450 00	
		$624 75

RECAPITULATION.

Orders drawn for pay of School Teachers	$16,593 13	
Pay of Janitors	1,816 00	
Superintendent	1,400 04	
Fuel for Schools	1,111 45	
Conveying pupils	600 50	
Text books and supplies	1,954 77	
Incidentals for Schools	543 94	
Incidentals and repairs of School-houses	2,430 75	
		$26,450 58
Almshouse account	$2,067 38	
Out Door Poor	3,178 29	

Soldiers' relief	506 44	
Hospital account	526 24	
State Aid, chap. 374 . . .	2,430 00	
State Aid, chap. 372 . . .	144 00	
State Aid, chap. 561 . . .	48 00	
Incidental expenses . . .	4,249 17	
Town Officers	3,650 79	
Snow account	3,415 06	
General repairs of highways . .	5,848 01	
General repairs of sidewalks . .	868 75	
Sidewalk Franklin street . .	345 58	
Watering streets, including stand pipes	624 75	
Lowell and Park streets . .	197 98	
Mount Vernon avenue . . .	361 15	
Widening Commercial street . .	7,329 14	
Land damage on Commercial street	4,954 00	
Building Hancock avenue . .	174 75	
Drawbridge	115 00	
Town Hall and repairs . . .	813 91	
Janitor Town Hall and Library .	600 00	
Thayer Public Library . .	1,000 00	
Distributing books . . .	100 00	
Insurance	1,417 91	
Fire Dep. pay of Engineers and men	1,248 25	
Incidentals of Fire Department	1,195 00	
New Hose	325 00	
Fire Alarm, changing, extending, rep.	751 27	
Town Lands	25 93	
Collecting and Abatements of Taxes	2,364 47	
Sinking funds, (water loans) .	5,120 80	
Hydrant service	4,175 00	
Reception of Co. K, 5th Regt .	303 66	
Post 87 G. A. R. . . .	175 00	
Night Police	2,195 00	
Court fees and expenses . .	116 97	
Special app. on sale of Liquors .	210 40	
Penniman School House . .	7,433 75	
		$70,606 00
		$97,056 58

ASSSESORS ACCOUNT.

For Pay of School Teachers .	$14,950 00
Supt. of Schools . . .	1,400 00
Janitors "	1,808 00
Text Books and Supplies . .	1,600 00

Incidental for Schools	400 00	
School Houses, imp'ments and rep's	1,000 00	
Fuel	1,200 00	
Conveyance of Pupils . . .	750 00	
Poor Department	4,000 00	
Soldiers Relief	400 00	
Soldiers Aid	75 00	
Incidental Expenses . . .	2,500 00	
Town Officers	3,650 00	
General repairs on Highways .	540 00	
Widening Commercial street .	7,500 00	
Removal of Snow	3,500 00	
Collection and abatement of taxes	1,500 00	
Insurance on public buildings .	700 00	
Drawbridge	100 00	
Town Hall	100 00	
Town Lands	50 00	
Court fees	100 00	
Janitor Town Hall and Library . .	600 00	
Hydrant Service	4,175 00	
Sinking fund (water loan) . .	5,120 00	
Electric Light, operating ex. .	8,500 00	
Fire Dept. Pay of members. .	1,225 00	
Fire Dept. General expenses . .	900 00	
New Hose	325 00	
Changing Fire Alarm, ext'ion, rep'rs	1,000 00	
General repairs, sidewalks . . .	700 00	
New sidewalk, Franklin street .	300 00	
Jonas Perkins school house note . .	3,100 00	
Monatiquot schoolhouse note .	3,300 00	
Electric Light notes . . .	2,500 00	
Night Police	2,190 00	
Public Library	1,000 00	
Interest on town debt . . .	5,000 00	
Hancock avenue	200 00	
Mt. Vernon avenue . . .	500 00	
Lowell and Park streets . .	500 00	
Treasurer's bond	100 00	
For suppression of sale of liquors .	300 00	
Distributing Library books . .	100 00	
Post 87, G. A. R.	175 00	
Setting watering trough on Granite st	25 00	
		$101,270 86
Less Bank and Corporation tax deducted		7,000 00
		$94,270 86
Overlay		640 72
Total amount assessed . .		$94,911 58

Oct. 30, 1899, additional taxes, 22 polls	44 00
Quincy & Boston Street Railway . .	774 26
South Shore & Boston Street Railway .	59 44
Personal estate	10 20
	$95,799 48

BENJ. F. DYER, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH TOWN OF BRAINTREE.

January 1, 1899 to December 30, 1899 inclusive.

Dr.

Balance Jan. 1, 1899		$6,126 96
Received from F. A. Smith, Collector of taxes :—		
Balance of 1897	$5,687 48	
Balance of 1898	22,197 66	
Balance of 1899	65,475 21	
		$93,360 35
A. O. Clark, manager Electric Light		8,280 17
Treasurer Board of Water Commissioners, temporary transfer .		5,000 00
Notes sold in anticipation of taxes of 1899	$30,000 00	
Notes sold in anticipation of taxes of 1899	15,000 00	
Notes sold in anticipation of taxes of 1899	15,000 00	
Notes sold in anticipation of taxes of 1899	15,000 00	
		$75,000 00
Notes sold to pay widening of Commercial street		10,000 00
Received from State Treasurer :—		
Account of paupers	$141 38	
Corporation tax, 1898	707 07	
Bank tax, 1898	31 99	
Street Railway tax, 1898 . .	643 74	
Street Railway tax, 1899 . .	991 44	
Corporation tax, 1899 . . .	9,213 79	
Bank tax, 1899	1,539 46	
Military Aid, Act of 1894 . .	72 00	
State Aid, Act of 1894 . . .	2,212 00	
State Aid, Act of 1898 . . .	120 00	
Armory rent	400 00	
		$16,072 87

Received from Treasurer Sinking Fund:		
For notes issued for Electric Plant due Sept. 1, 1909	$3,400 00	
For notes for Penniman school, due Sept. 1, 1904	1,000 00	
For notes for Penniman school, due Sept. 1, 1908	2,000 00	
For notes for Penniman school, due Sept. 1, 1909	2,500 00	
		$8,900 00
Received from Treas. Thayer Library:—		
For Caleb Stetson fund . . .		2,500 00
Treasurer of Norfolk County towards widening Commercial st.		5,892 00
Treasurer Nat. Mount Wollaston Bank, interest		315 08
Received from Selectmen:—		
Hospital account	$772 83	
Hospital account, Kincade . .	84 50	
Hospital account, Mrs. Mellen .	146 00	
Hospital account, Miss Thayer .	169 46	
Almshouse	18 65	
Almshouse, Mrs. R. Thayer . .	21 00	
Town of Randolph, account poor .	14 86	
Town of Duxbury, account poor .	17 88	
City of Quincy, account poor .	100 60	
City of Quincy, account poor .	21 50	
City of Quincy, storage of water supply	98 05	
City of Worcester, account poor .	3 25	
Court fees	138 89	
Licenses	44 00	
Town Hall	125 15	
Highways	26 61	
Highways, gutter cleanings . .	3 75	
Sale of brick, Commercial street .	20 00	
Sale of Cemetery lots	35 00	
Account Schools	8 58	
Tax rebate	2 04	
Sale of grass	10 00	
Sale of cow	52 50	
Quincy & Boston Street Railway, acct. Quincy Ave. bridge . .	19 33	
Rebate on Insurance . . .	18 94	
Account Fire Department . .	9 00	
Tax Sale E. F. French . . .	68 50	
		2,050 87
		$233,498 30

Credit.

Paid 2 orders outstanding 1898 . .	$39 95	
1304 orders general acc. 1899. .	97,056 58	
243 orders electric light acc. 1899	17,701 80	
		$114,798 33
Note account Jonas Perkins school	3,100 00	
Note account Monatiquot school .	3,300 00	
Note account tax 1898 . . .	15,000 00	
Note account tax 1899 . . .	30,000 00	
Note account tax 1899 . . .	15,000 00	
Note account Commercial street .	10,000 00	
Note acc. Electric light due 1899	2,000 00	
Note acc. Electric light due 1899	500 00	
		78,900 00
Due May 1, 1900	$2,000 00	
Due Oct. 26, 1903	500 00	
		2,500 00
Above paid with money received from Caleb Stetson Fund, as per vote of town.		
Premiums on above two notes .		25 90
Discount on notes sold . . .	$1,678 29	
Interest on Jonas Perkins school, notes to August 1, 1899 . .	660 67	
Interest on Monatiquot school, notes to Jan. 1, 1900 . . .	350 61	
Interest on Thayer Academy, notes to Aug. 1, 1899	375 00	
Interest on Thayer library, notes .	362 50	
Interest on Electric light notes to Oct. 26, 1899	90 00	
Interest on Electric light, notes to Nov. 1, 1899	640 00	
Interest on Caleb Stetson fund notes	50 00	
Interest on Electric light bonds to Oct. 5, 1899	660 00	
		4,867 07
Recording tax sale deeds . .		7 99
State treasurer, Corporation tax .		95 13
County treasurer, County tax .		4,142 86
State treasurer, State tax . .		2,610 00
Treasurer Water Commissioners temporary transfer paid back .		5,000 00
		$212,947 28
Balance Dec. 30, 1899 . .		20,551 02
		$233,498 30

Examined and verified the accounts of Benjamin F. Dyer, treasurer from January 1, 1899 to December 30, 1899, inclusive, and the balance Twenty thousand, five hundred and fifty-one and $\frac{2}{100}$ dollars ($20,551.02) on deposit in the Mt. Wollaston National Bank, Quincy.

DANIEL POTTER,
Auditor.

BRAINTREE, Jan. 10, 1900.

LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN.

DECEMBER 30, 1899.

WATER DEBT.

	Dr.	*Cr.*
One hundred thousand dollars in bonds, issued July 1, 1887, bearing interest at the rate of 4 per cent. per annum. Payable July 1, 1917 . .	$100,000 00	
One hundred and fifty thousand dollars in bonds, issued June 1, 1891, bearing interest at the rate of 4 per cent. per annum. Payable June 1, 1921	150,000 00	
Six thousand dollars in bonds, issued August 1, 1896, bearing interest at the rate of 4 per cent. per annum. Payable August 1, 1926 . . .	6,000 00	
Total amount of water bonds issued	256,000 00	
For the payment of the above the town has sinking funds viz:		
Sinking fund loan of July 1, 1887 . .		$29,742 61
Sinking fund loan of June 1, 1891 . .		27,010 61
Sinking fund loan of Aug. 1, 1896 . .		380 91
		$57,134 13

Balance net water debt . .		198,865 87
	$256,000 00	$256,000 00

Dr.

Net water loan debt . .	$198,865 87

ELECTRIC LIGHTING DEPARTMENT.

	Dr.	*Cr.*
Sixteen Municipal Lighting bonds, dated April 5, 1893, due April 5, 1917, $1,000 each at 4 per cent per annum	$16,000 00	
One Municipal Lighting bond, dated April 5, 1893, $500 at 4 per cent. per annum	500 00	
For the payment of the above the town has Sinking Fund amounting to .		$2,804 48
Balance net debt Municipal lighting loan		13,695 52
	$16,500 00	$16,500 00

Dr.

Net debt Municipal lighting loan . .		$13,695 52
State treasurer, seven notes of $2,000 each, at 4 per cent. per annum, one note payable May 2, 1901; May 2, 1907, inclusive, issued on account of Electric Plant		14,000 00
Annie L. Prescott, three notes of $500 each at 4 per cent. per annum, payable Oct. 26, 1900; Oct. 26, 1901 and Oct. 26, 1902		1,500 00
Trustees of Thayer library note dated March 22, 1899 on 5 years at 4 per cent. per annum "for the Caleb Stetson Fund" same used to pay notes outstanding given on account Electric light department . .		2,500 00
Notes payable	$18,000 00	
Net balance loan	13,695 52	
Net Electric light debt . .		$31,695 52

BRAINTREE, Dec. 30, 1899.

NOTES OUTSTANDING.

The town owes the following notes with accrued interest:

Trustees of Thayer Library note, dated March 7th, 1874, due on demand; at 3½ per cent, per annum . .		$10,000 00	
Trustees of Thayer Academy, note dated March 7, 1874, due on demand, at 3½ per cent. per annum . . .		10,000 00	
Warren Institution for savings, two notes each $3,300, dated July 1, 1891, due July 1, 1900 and 1901 at 4¼ per cent. interest per annum, issued on account Monatiquot school building		6,600 00	
State Treasurer, five notes each $3,100, dated February 1, 1894, due February 1, 1900, to Feb. 1. 1904, inclusive at 3⅞ per cent. per annum, issued on account Jonas Perkins building		15,500 00	
Two tax notes each $15,000 dollars dated November 13, 1899, one payable April 20, 1900. one payable May 4. 1900		30,000 00	
Notes given acct. Penniman Sch. House,			
Due Sept. 1, 1904, .	$1000 00		
" " 1907, .	2000 00		
" " 1909, .	2500 00		
	$5500 00		
Note given acct. Elect. Dept. . Due Sept 1, 1900, .	3400 00		
		8,900 00	
			81,000 00

Braintree, Dec. 30, 1899.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Of The Town, Dec. 30, 1899.

	Dr.	*Cr.*
Net debt, water loan bond . .	$198,865 87	
Net debt, Municipal Lighting bonds .	13,695 52	
Note issued on account of electric light plant	18,000 00	

Sundry note outstanding . . .	81,100 00	
Accrued interest on water bonds . .	600 00	
Accrued interest on municipal bonds .	165 00	
Accrued interest on sundry notes .	797 25	
Sundry bills, rendered to late for payment in 1899.	1,856 77	
Balance due Chas. McDermott & Son . on contract widening Commercial street	1,240 00	

ASSETS OF THE TOWN—NOT INCLUDING PUBLIC PROPERTY, DEC. 30, 1899.

Balance in the town treasury . .		$20,551 02
Balance in the water works treasury ..		8 20
Due from col. of taxes, 1898	$6,632 01	
Due from col. of taxes 1899	30,335 57	36,967 58
from electric light department unpaid bills		3,800 03
from water department, unpaid bills for service and pipes . .		2,105 59
from State for State aid, Chapter 374 Act of 1899		2,625 00
from State for State aid, Chapter 561 Act of 1898		72 00
due from State for military aid, Chapter 372 Act of 1899 . .		78 00
from hospital account . . .		41 32
from City of Quincy, reservoir rent		54 06
from Braintree St. Ry. Co., snow bills		81 65
from Braintree & Weymouth St. Ry. Co. snow bills		42 10
from Thayer Public Library .		9 40
from cities and towns, pauper account		123 03
from South Shore and Boston St. Ry. Co., on account the widening Commercial street . . .		412 32
		$66,971 30
Balance carried forward . .		249,249 11
	$316,220 41	$316,220 41

Dr.

Net debt of town, Dec. 30, 1899 . $249,249 11

DANIEL POTTER, *Auditor.*

Braintree, Dec. 30, 1899.

INSURANCE ACCOUNT.

Insurance in force from December 30, 1899.

	On Buildings	On Contents.	Total.
Monatiquot School	$27,000 00	$1,500 00	$28,500 00
Perkins School .	27,000 00	3,000 00	30,000 00
Union School .	8,000 00	500 00	8,500 00
Pond School .	8,800 00	900 00	9,700 00
Penniman School .	10,000 00		10,000 00
Middle St. School .	800 00		800 00
Town Hall .	19,100 00	900 00	20,000 00
Alms House .	9,000 00	1,200 00	10,200 00
Alms House barn .	1,100 00		1,100 00
Electric Light Station . .	5,369 00	12,481 00	17,850 00
Union Engine House . .	1,800 00		1,800 00
Butcher Boy House	1,000 00		1,000 00
Wampatuck hook and ladder house	1,000 00		1,000 00
Boiler insurance :			
Town House .	5,000 00		5,000 00
Perkins School .	10,000 00		10,000 00
Alms House .	1,000 00		1,000 00
Electric Light .	10,000 00		10,000 00
	$145,969 00	$20,481 00	$166,450 00
Electric Light Department :			
Liability employes	5,000 00		5,000 00
Liability public .	10,000 00		10,000 00
	$160,969 00	$20,481 00	$181,450 00

Braintree, January 25, 1900.

COLLECTOR'S ACCOUNT.

FRANK A. SMITH, COLLECTOR.

Dr.

Balance due on tax of 1897 . . .	$5,187 70	
Graves & Marlane, 1897 . . .	84 78	
Interest collected	415 00	

Cr.

Balance paid Treasurer . . .		$5,687 48
	$5,687 48	$5,687 48

Dr.

Balance on taxes 1898 . . .	$28,412 60	
Interest collected . . .	417 07	

Cr.

Paid Treasurer		$22,197 66
Balance due from Collector on 1898 taxes		6,632 01
	$28,829 67	$28,829 67

Dr.

Total tax of 1899	$95,799 48	
Interest collected	11 30	

Cr.

Paid Treasurer		$65,475 21
Balance due from Collector . . .		30,335 57
	$95,810 78	$95,810 78

Amount taxes due from 1898	$6,632 01
Amount taxes due from 1899	30,335 57
	$36,967 58

DANIEL POTTER,
Auditor.

BRAINTREE, January 19, 1900.

BRAINTREE SCHOOL FUND.

BENJAMIN F. DYER, TREASURER.

Dr.

January 3, 1899, Balance principal of fund	$770 00
Income of fund	547 47
January 3 to December 31, 1899 :	
Received fron State Treasury, rebate on bank shares	77 98
from Braintree Savings Bank, dividends	43 56
from Quincy Savings Bank, dividends	35 04
from Nat. Granite Bank, dividends	60 00
from Nat. Eliot Bank, dividends	18 00
from Union Nat. Bank, dividends	28 00
from G. W. Osgood, rent of land	31 25
from N. E. Hayden, rent of farm .	200 00
	$1,811 30

A portion of this income belongs in last 6 months of 1898.

Cr.

Paid Town Treasurer	$350 00
Repairs on buildings :	
McPherson, contractor . . .	43 50
Moneyhan, mason	47 14

Bradford, painter		48 00
J. B. Rhines & Co., lumber . .		60 65
C. H. Hobart nails		4 01
December 31, 1899:		
Balance principal		770 00
Balance Income		488 00
		$1,811 30
In Braintree Savings Bank .	$560 89	
Quincy Savings Bank .	697 11	
	$1,258 00	
Investment:		
7 shares, Union Nat. Bank of Weymouth; 10 shares Nat. Granite Bank of Quincy; 3 shares, Eliot Nat. Bank of Boston . . .		

Examined the account of B. F. Dyer, Treasurer, and the balance of ($1,258) twelve hundred and fifty eight dollars deposited in Braintree and Quincy Savings Banks as reported.

DANIEL POTTER,
Auditor.

BRAINTREE, January 21, 1900.

SINKING FUND ACCOUNT.

	Dr.	*Cr.*
Water loan of 1887, balance Dec. 31, '98		$26,518 62
Town appropriation, 1899 . . .		2,000 00
Income from investments . . .		1,223 99
Dec. 30, 1899, balance . . .		$29,742 61
Investments:		
City of Canton, Ohio, one bond, 5% .	$1,000 00	
Town of Braintree, 3 Water Loan bonds, 4%	3,000 00	
Town of Braintree, 10 Lighting loan bonds, 4%	10,000 00	
Town of Braintree, 1 Lighting loan bond 4%	500 00	

Town of Braintree, note Lighting loan, due Sept. 1, 1909, 3½% . . .	3,400 00	
Town of Braintree, note Penniman school due Sept. 1, 1909	2,500 000	
Rumford Falls & Rangeley R. R., 1 bond 5%	1,000 00	
Boston, Revere Beach & Lynn R. R., 2 bond 4½%	2,000 00	
Fitchburg R. R., 4 bonds $1,000 each cost 4%	3,877 11	
Braintree Savings Bank . . .	1,359 63	
Randolph Savings Bank . . .	1,105 87	
	$29,742 61	
Water loan of 1891, balance Dec. 31, '98		22,823 69
Town appropriation, 1899 . . .		3,000 00
Income from investments . . .		1,186 92
		$27,010 61

Investments:

	Dr.
City of Canton, Ohio, 6 bonds, 5% .	$6,000 00
Town of Braintree, 6 Lighting bonds 4%	6,000 00
Town of Braintree, 3 Water bonds, 4%	3,000 00
Town of Braintree, note Penniman school, due Sept. 1, 1904 3½% .	1,000 00
Town of Braintree, note Penniman school, due Sept. 1, 1908 . .	2,000 00
Boston, Revere Beach & Lynn R. R., 3 bonds 4½%	3,000 00
Real estate mort. H. Alman Jones 4½%	3,500 00
Quincy Savings Bank	1,687 05
E. Weymouth Savings Bank . .	823 56
	$27,010 61

	Cr.
Municipal Lighting loan 1893.	
Balance Dec. 31, 1898	$2,229 28
Town appropriation, 1899 . . .	430 00
Income from investments . . .	145 20
Balance Dec. 30, 1899 . .	$2,804 48

Investments:

	Dr.
Town of Braintree, 1 Water bond .	$1,000 00

Braintree Savings Bank . . .	828 71	
Weymouth Savings Bank . . .	975 77	
	$2,804 48	

Wa er loan 1896.

Balance Dec. 31, 1898		242 40
Town appropriation, 1898 . . .		120 00
Income from investment . . .		18 51
		$308 91

Investment:

	Dr.	
So. Weymouth Savings Bank . .	$308 91	
The income items include the coupons and Savings Bank interest to Jan. 1, 1900, inclusive. The account as made Dec. 31, 1898, did not in all instances cover the earnings of the last six months of 1898		

SUMMARY.

Debt with Sinking Fund.	Debt.	Sinking Fund
Water loan acct. 1887 . . .	$100,000 00	$29,742 61
Water loan acct. 1891 . . .	150,000 00	27,010 61
Water loan acct. 1896 . . .	6,000 00	380 91
Municipal Lighting loan 1893 .	16,500 00	2,804 48
	$272,500 00	$59,938 61
Dec. 31, 1899 balance		212,561 39
		$272,500 00

BENJ. F. DYER,
Treas.

Examined all the accounts and securities of the Sinking Fund of 1887, 1891, 1893 and 1896 to Dec. 31, 1899 inclusive, amounting to ($59,938.61) Fifty-nine thousand, nine hundred thirty-eight and sixty-one one-hundredths dollars and find the report of Benjamin F. Dyer, Treasurer, of said Sinking Fund correct.

DANIEL POTTER,
Auditor.

BRAINTREE, Jan. 20, 1900.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES FOR 1899.

		Appropriations.	Expended.	Unexpended.	In Excess.	Credit from 1898 and 1899.
For pay of school teachers		$14,950 00	$16,593 13		$1,643 13	$8 58
dog tax, 1899						
school fund						
Superintendent of schools		1,400 00	1,400 04		04	
Janitors for schools		1,808 00	1,816 00		8 00	
Text books and supplies		1,600 00	1,954 77		354 77	
Incidentals for schools		400 00	543 94		143 94	
Incidentals for schoolhouses		1,000 00	2,430 75		1,430 75	
Fuel for schools		1,200 00	1,111 45	88 55		
Conveyance of pupils		750 00	600 50	149 50		
Penniman school building			7,433 75		7,433 75	
Fire department general expenses and repairs		900 00	1,195 00		295 00	9 00
For new hose		325 00	325 00			
For pay of members and engineers		1,225 00	1,248 25		23 25	
Water department hydrant service		4,175 00	4,175 00			
Water loan sinking fund		5,120 00	5,120 00			
Interest on Town debt		5,000 00	4,892 97	107 03		315 08
Town officers		3,650 00	3,650 79		79	
Electric light department for street lights	$8,500 00	17,018 23	17,701 80		683 57	
Revenue from light and jobbing	8,518 23					

Note Jonas Perkins schoolhouse	3,100 00	3,100 00			
Note Monatiquot schoolhouse	3,300 00	3,300 00			
Note Electric light plant	2,500 00	2,500 00			
Note Electric light plant *special*	2,500 00	2,500 00			
Highways and bridges general repairs	5,400 00	5,848 01		448 01	69 69
Removal of snow	3,500 00	3,415 06	84 94		
Support of poor	4,000 00	5,245 67		1,245 67	197 74
Night police	2,190 00	2,195 00		5 00	62 50
Janitor Town Hall and Library	600 00	600 00			
Town Hall	100 00	813 91		713 91	125 15
Town lands	50 00	25 93	24 07		
Insurance	700 00	1,417 91		717 91	18 94
Incidental expenses	2,500 00	4,249 17		1,749 17	79 00
Collection and abatement of taxes	1,500 00	2,364 47		864 47	70 54
Court fees and expenses	100 00	116 97		16 97	138 89
Public Library	1,000 00	1,000 00			
Distributing books	100 00	100 00			98 05
Grand Army of the Republic	175 00	175 00			(From City of Quincy.)
Soldiers' relief—Acts of 1890	400 00	506 44		106 44	
Soldiers' aid, chapt. 372	75 00	144 00		69 00	
State aid, chapt. 374 *special*	2,600 00	2,430 00	170 00		
Military aid chap.					
State aid, chapt. 561, Acts 1898		48 00		48 00	
Hospital *special*	700 00	526 24	173 76		1,172 79
Watering Commecial street	7,500 00	7,329 14	170 86		
For Mt. Vernon ave	500 00	361 15	138 85		
For Franklin street	300 00	345 58		45 58	

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES FOR 1899.

	Appropriations.	Expended.	Unexpended.	In Excess.	Credit.
For Hancock avenue	$200 00	$174 75	$25 25		
For Lowell and Park streets	500 00	197 98	302 02		
Sidewalks	700 00	868 75		168 75	
Drawbridge	100 00	115 00		15 00	
Watering streets		624 75		624 75	
Land damages on Commercial street	5,000 00	4,954 00	46 00		
Fire Alarm	1,000 00	751 27	248 73		
Acct. intoxicating liquors *special*	300 00	210 40	89 60		
Co. K, 5th Regt. reception		303 66		303 66	
	$113,711 23	*$131,051 35	$1,819 16	$19,159 28	$2,365 95

Dr.		*Cr.*	
Amount of Appropriations,	$85.293.00	Orders paid,	$97,056.58
Amount for Notes	11,400.00	Orders paid Electric Light Dept.	17,701.80
Amount for Electric Light Plant	17,018.23	Notes paid	11.400.00
	$113,711.23	Interest paid in 1899	4,892.97
Unexpended	1,819.16		
	$111,892.07		
Excess of Appropriation	19,159.28		
	$131,051.35		$131,051.35

[E. & O. E.]

BRAINTREE, Dec. 30, 1899.

DANIEL POTTER,
Auditor.

REPORT OF MANAGER OF ELECTRIC LIGHT DEPARTMENT.

During the year ending Dec. 31, 1899, no extensions of the Street Lighting system have been made. There has been thirty new consumers added to the House lighting system with 770 additional lights, making a total of 6,384 lights connected up to the present time. No accidents have occurred during the past year as the weather has been very favorable to the operating of the plant.

The Committee chosen by the town to increase the capacity of the Plant have made the following contracts:

With Edward Kendall & Sons, for boiler	$1,147 00	
Geo. F. Blake Co., for pump and condenser	1,050 00	
Hrriasburg Engine Work, for engine	6,152 00	
Westinghouse Electric Mfg. Co., for electrical machinery . . .	13,400 00	
John Byrne, for setting boiler .	493 00	
		$22,242 00

The boiler has arrived and is now in use. Contracts for foundations for engine, dynamos and pumps have not yet been made.

Appropriation for increase of Plant .	$26,000 00

APPROPRIATIONS FOR OPERATIONS.

For street lighting		$8,500 00	
The revenue from House lights, meter rent and jobbing to be applied to the payment of Sinking fund, operating expenses and connecting new users as follows:			
Revenue from lights .	$7,609 48		
Revenue from meter rent	300 80		
Revenue from jobbing .	844 18		
	$8,754 46		
Less abatements	236 23		
		$8,518 23	
			$17,018 23

EXPENDED.

For operating	$13,297 04	
Jobbing	726 00	
Extensions of Plant and connecting new users	3,248 76	
Sinking fund	430 00	
		$17,701 80

EXPENSES OF OPERATING AND REPAIRS IN DETAIL.

Paid W. P. Mercer, Supt.	$1,275 00	
Station wages	2,837 00	
Distribution wages	349 60	
Jobbing wages	223 35	
A. O. Clark, Manager	300 00	
		$4,984 95

REPAIRS OF LINES AND LAMPS.

Paid Eagle Oil & Suppiy Co., material	57 68	
General Electric Co., material	469 21	
Jos. A. Ford, poles	226 75	
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co., freight on poles	118 00	
John P. Robery, freight on poles	12 50	
Baker Hardware Co., material	30 02	
A. W. Baker, expressing	18 95	
J. B. Rhines & Co., lumber and poles	40 44	
Bibber & White Co., material	108 90	
W. I. Jordan, iron work	2 12	
Thomas South, iron work	1 25	
Cryeld Electrical Works	3 70	
E. Bourke, expressing	2 10	
N. E. Telephone Co., pole	5 50	
Nelson Bros., 5 poles	15 00	
Louis J. Hart, supplies	22 75	
W. M. Jordon, expressing	4 80	
Chase, Shawmut Co., supplies	90	
Labor	1,235 65	
		$2,376 22

REPAIRS OF ELECTRIC PLANT.

Paid General Electric Co., material	$123 23	
Westinghouse Electric M'f'g. Co	50 00	
Chase, Shawmut Co., material	30 00	

Eagle Oil & Supply Co., material	3 85	
Victor Metals Works, material	3 50	
James W. Rand, material	1 04	
Old Colony Compound Co., material	1 00	
Fore River Engine Co., material	1 29	
A. W. Baker, expressing	50	
Labor	8 50	
		$222 91

EXTENSION OF ELECTRIC PLANT.

Paid Victor Metals Works, material	16 25	
Fore River Engine Works, material	5 59	
General Electric Co., material	27 00	
Chase, Shawmut Co., material	15 24	
Bibber & White Co., material	13 10	
Baker Hardware Co., material	1 60	
Hayward Bros., labor	3 78	
J. B. Rhines & Co., stock	3 32	
		$85 88

REPAIRS ON STEAM PLANT.

Paid Eagle Oil & Supply Co., supplies	$107 03	
Crosby Steam Gauge & Valve Co.,	13 85	
Rollins Engine Co.	37 84	
Providence Steam Engine Co.	57 30	
Victor Metals Co,	17 18	
Fore River Engine Co.	25 01	
E. Kendall & Sons	10 88	
Roberts Iron Works	13 06	
J. B. Rhines & Co., brick and lumber	22 38	
F. O. Whitmarsh	37 87	
Baker Hardware	2 90	
A. W. Baker, expressing	14 87	
W. I. Jordan, iron works	4 65	
American Steam Gauge Co., supplies	1 50	
Wm. M. Jordan, expressing	2 23	
Perry's Express, expressing	50	
Joseph I. Bates, supplies	68	
Labor	37 60	
		$407 33

EXTENSION OF STEAM PLANT.

Paid Eagle Oil & Supply, Co. appliances	70 00

METERS AND FREIGHT.

Paid Westinghouse Electric M"'g Co. 36 meters	$414 00	
A. W. Baker, freight	3 92	
		$417 92

DISTRIBUTION TOOLS.

General Electric Co. . . .	$25 50	
Eagle Oil & Supply Co. . . .	25 97	
Baker Hardware Co. . . .	26 63	
W. I. Jordan	21 11	
A. J. Wilkinson & Co . . .	10 68	
Walsh Bros.	2 50	
H. S. Hathaway	75	
Rollins Engine Co. . . .	90	
Louis Hart	12 50	
		126 54

STATION TOOLS.

Paid Eagle Oil & Supply Co. . .	16 75	
A. J. Wilkinson & Co. . . .	9 60	
Baker Hardware Co. . . .	1 07	
		27 42

JOBBING SUPPLIES.

Paid General Electric Co., supplies .	$119 19	
Bibber & White Co., supplies .	17 96	
Eagle Oil & Supply Co. . . .	40 98	
Fore River Engine Co. . . .	3 95	
J. B. Rhines & Co. . . .	1 42	
Arthur L. Hobart, labor and supplies	8 75	
A. T. Stearns Lumber Co. . .	2 80	
W. I. Jordan, iron work . .	4 55	
A. W. Baker, expressing . .	5 27	
W. M. Jordan, expressing . .	8 73	
Victor Metal Works, supplies .	1 50	
A. J. Wilkinson Co., supplies .	5 19	
Baker Hardware Co., supplies .	4 30	
Braintree Water department, labor	5 50	
Labor of Men on Fire alarm . .	6 00	
		$236 13

INSURANCE.

Paid Henry A. Monk, on buildings and machines	$331 04	
C. B. Cummings	305 04	
		636 08

WATER.

Paid Braintree Water Department .	$236 32	236 32

REPAIRS ON REAL ESTATE.

Paid Hayward Bros., stock and labor .	$6 57	
J. B. Rhines & Co., stock . .	1 57	
Baker Hardware Co., paint and supplies	10 32	
		18 46

ADDITION TO REAL ESTATE.

Paid J. B. Rhines & Co., lumber . .	$6 27	
Eagle Oil and Supply Co. supplies .	19 50	
		25 77

GLOBES.

Paid Union Glass Co.	$14 00	
Weymouth Light & Power Co. .	7 00	
		21 00

OFFICE EXPENSES.

Paid New England Telephone Co. . .	$15 12	
Aaron Gay, consumer's book . .	14 00	
George W. Prescott & Son . .	39 25	
Braintree & Weymouth Pub. Co. .	7 25	
W. A. Torrey, postage	6 50	
E. H. Frarey, supplies . . .	3 82	

White & Wetherbee, maps . .	3 00	
C. D. Harlow, use of telephone and supplies	2 32	
C. H. Hobart, use of telephone .	2 10	
Baker Hardware Co., supplies .	76	
Daniel Potter, clerical work . .	58 35	
		152 47

STABLE ACCOUNT.

Paid T. H. Emerson, hay and grain .	$219 17	
Walsh Bros., harness, repairs and painting	87 75	
Thomas South, jr.	45 96	
George A. Hunt, horse . . .	40 00	
George A. Hunt, use of horse .	20 00	
W. I. Jordan, iron work . .	43 20	
Butts & Ordway, wagon . .	65 00	
Francis Abele, vetinary surgeon .	5 00	
W. B. Hollis, use of team . .	1 50	
William Garde, use of team . .	1 50	
John J. Downes, use of team . .	7 50	
A. W. Baker, use of team . .	1 50	
C. D. Harlow, horse medicine .	1 15	
Baker Hardware Co.. supplies .	30	
		539 53

D. & C. LAMPS.

Paid General Electric Co.	261 96	
Fore River Engine Co., 5 lamps .	1 00	
W. M. Jordan, freight . . .	1 85	
A. W. Baker	1 71	
		266 52

CARBONS.

Paid General Electric Co.	$ 10 00	
National Carbon Co.	160 00	
Quincy Electric Light & Power Co.	10 00	
Bibber & White Co. . . .	7 00	
A. W. Baker, freight . . .	18 29	
		205 29

OIL AND WASTE.

Paid Eagle Oil and Supply Co. . .	282 44	
A. W. Harris Oil Co.	16 88	
A. W. Baker, expressing . .	4 70	
James W. Rand, cheese cloth .	8 81	
Wm. M. Jordan, expressing . .	6 65	
S. F. Brown, oil	2 40	
Baker Hardware Co.	2 70	
		324 58

COAL.

Paid J. F. Sheppard & Sons, coal . .	3,241 29	3.241 29

TRANSFORMERS AND INSTALLING.

Paid Stanley Electric Mfg. Co. . .	135 00	
General Electric Co.	130 00	
Labor, installing	50 60	
J. B. Rhines & Co., lumber . .	1 00	
A. W. Baker, freight	2 69	
		319 29

EXTENSION ACCOUNT.—LINES AND LAMPS.

Paid American Electrical Works, wire .	1,497 97	
General Electric Co., wire . .	40 70	
Bibber & White Co.	39 50	
Water department, plastering .	15 73	
Labor of men	409 10	
J. B. Rhines & Co., lumber . .	49 46	
Pettengill, Andrews Co., supplies .	26 25	
General Electric Co., lamps . .	152 00	
W. I. Jordan, iron work . .	24 12	
A. W. Baker, freight	31 10	
Bibber & White Co.	4 80	
Expenses of committee	39 17	
		2,329 90

RECAPITALATION.—OPERATING EXPENSES.

Paid superintendent	$1,275 00	
Station wages	2,837 00	
Distribution wages	349 60	
Repairs of lines and lamps	2,376 22	
Repairs of electric plant	222 91	
Repairs of steam plant	407 33	
Repairs of real estate	18 46	
Stable account	539 53	
Coal	3,241 29	
Water	236 32	
Insurance	636 08	
Distribution tools	126 54	
Station tools	27 42	
Office expenses	152 47	
Oil and waste	324 58	
Carbons	205 29	
Globes	21 00	
Salary of Manager	300 00	
		13,297 04

JOBBING ACCOUNT.

Paid Jobbing wages	223 35	
Jobbing Supplies	236 13	
D. & C. Lamps	266 52	
		726 00

EXTENSION ACCOUNT.

Paid addition to electric plant	85 88	
addition to steam plant	70 00	
addition to real estate	25 77	
Transformers and installing	319 29	
Meters	417 92	
Extension of lines and lamps	2,329 90	
		3,248 76
Sinking fund	$430 00	430 00
		$17,701 80

EXPENSE ACCOUNT.

Dr.

To operating expenses including jobbing	$14,023 04	
Interest paid on notes and bonds .	1,440 00	
Depreciation on plant, value June 30 1899, $49,721 01 at 5% . . .	2,486 05	
Interest on value of plant less notes $18,000 and bonds $16,500, $15,221-01 at 4%	608 84	
To amount due from consumers Dec. 31, 1898	3,561 97	
Bills outstanding unpaid, Dec. 30, 1899	993 85	
Inventory of supplies on hand Dec. 31, 1898	1,521 45	
		$24,635 20

EXPENSE ACCOUNT.

Cr.

To cash received for light meter rent and jobbing and paid Benjamin F. Dyer, Treasurer	8,280 17	
Amount due from consumers Dec. 30, 1899, ...	3,800 03	
Outstanding bills of Dec 31, 1898, paid	1,212 23	
Inventory of material and supplies, Dec. 30, 1899	1,661 13	
		$14,953 56
Cost of street lighting		9,681 64

Whole number of arc lamps, 94.
112 incandescent lamps.
Equivalent to 32 arc lamps 32.

126 arc

Cost of each arc light . . . $76 83+

Respectfully submitted,

A. O. CLARK, *Manager.*

REPORT OF THE ELECTRIC LIGHT DEPARTMENT.

CONSUMERS.

REGISTER FOR THE YEAR 1899. A. O. CLARK, MANAGER

		Dr.	*Cr*
Dec. 31, 1898:			
Balance due from consumers . . .		$3,561 97	
Charges for D. & C. lights in 1899 . . .	$7,609 48		
For meter rent . . .	300 80		
For wiring . . .	844 18		
	$8,754 46		
Less abatements for 1898 & '99	236 23		
Net		$8,518 23	
Dec. 30, 1899:			
By cash paid Town Treasurer during the year 1899			$8,280 17
Balance due from consumers to date			3,800 30
		$12,080 20	$12,080 20

Dr.

Dec. 30, 1899:		
To balance due from consumers .		$3,800 03
Charges D. & C. light and wiring, 3 mos. ending Dec. 30, 1899 . .	$2,898 45 net	
Charges D. & C. light and net for, from account Oct. 1, '99 . .	901 50	
	$3,800 03	

The Charges on Consumers Register for D. and C. Lighting, Meter Rent and Wiring for the year 1899, and the book accounts with all the vouchers for the same have been adjusted

and the balance due from Consumers Dec. 30, 1899 ($3,800.03) Thirty Eight Hundred and Three One Hundredths Dollars.

DANIEL POTTER, *Auditor.*

BRAINTREE, January, 18, 1900.

BALANCE ACCOUNT.

		Dr.	*Cr.*
Dec. 30, 1899:			
Real estate		$6,529 98	
Steam plant		8,851 74	
Electric plant		9,719 67	
Transformers		3,612 67	
Electric lines		15,129 92	
Incandescent St. lamps		487 83	
Arc street lamps		2,938 69	
Meters		3,051 31	
New extension electric plant		2,110 67	
Profit and loss		9,577 28	
Cost of plant December 30, 1899 $52,432.18			
Consumers		3,800 03	
Sinking fund commission		2,804 48	
Station, tools and appliances	$344 70		
Distribution appliances	93 65		
Fuel	118 75		
Carbons	14 00		
Oil and waste	64 63		
Globes	2 00		
Steam plant repairs	121 85		
Electric plant repairs	32 45		
Lines and lamps repairs	255 17		
Stable account	458 65		
Wiring account, supplies $80.78, Ind. lamps 20.00	100 78		
Office furniture and fixtures	54 50		
		$1,661 13	
Inventory Dec. 30, 1899 on hand $1,661.13			
Dec. 30, 1899:			
Cash Balance			$32 23

Notes payable . . . . ,		18,000 00
Appropriation for construction .		9,190 81
Appropriation for note payments .		15,000 00
Construction over drafts . .		8,375 89
Bonds		16,500 00
Sinking fund account . . .		2,580 00
Accounts payable		300 00
Accrued interest		296 47
	$70,275 40	$70,275 40

DANIEL POTTER, *Auditor.*

BRAINTREE, Dec. 30, 1899.

(E. & O. E.)

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

ENGINEER'S REPORT.

JEREMIAH F. GALLIVAN, CHIEF. JOHN KELLY, ASST. CHIEF.
O. B. BATTLES, CLERK.

To Honorable Board Selectmen:

GENTLEMEN,—I respectfully submit the following report for the year ending Dec. 31, 1899;

APPARATUS.

The apparatus of the department consist of 2 hand engines, 2 hose wagons, 3 hose jumpers, 2 ladder trucks, 1 hose and ladder wagon and 10 chemical fire extinguishers.

FIRE ALARM.

The fire alarm is under the care of our Superintendent of Electric Lights, Mr. W. P. Mercer and is in a most excellent condition. The town appropriated $300 for a change of the battery system which has been done by our superintendent and the result is that at the present time the town has got the best and at the same time the most economical of fire alarm systems. There has been four more boxes added the past year at a cost of four hundred dollars as appropriated by the town for that purpose.

HOUSES AND PROPERTY.

The engine houses are in good condition. There has been 700 feet of new hose purchased the last year at a cost of $325, also some 8 coats, 3 hydrant gates aud 1 gross chemical chargers, 1 pipe and nozzle in addition to property on hand from the year before.

RECORDS OF FIRES AND ALARMS OF FIRES FOR THE YEAR 1899.

Jan. 20. 11. a. m., house owned by Mrs. T. B. Libby and N. Allen Penniman, on Middle street; occupied by J. E. Hayden and N. Allen Penniman. Value, $1,800.; insured for $1,750, value of contents, $1,450; insurance, $1,450; damage to building, $40; damage to contents, $66. Cause—unknown.

Feb. 4. 1.30 p. m., house on Commercial street owned by Annie M. Bates; occupied by W. H. Godfry and others. Vauled, $2,800; insurance, $2,500; damage, $10. Cause—Hot ashes from furnace.

Feb. 16. 6.00 p. m., house on Mt. Vernon avenue, owned and occupied by Sarah W. Woodworth. Value, $2,500; damage, $22; insured for $2,200. Cause—Lamp being overturned.

April 7. 11.50 a. m. Box 41. Woods fire on land of John F. Bowditch and others on Middle street. Estimated damage, $150.

April 17. House on Middle street owned by Mrs. T. B. Libby and N. Allen Penniman; occupied by N. Allen Penniman and J. E. Hryden. No loss reported. Cause—Unknown.

April 22. Box 46. 1.15 p. m. Woods fire on land of Paul Monahan and others.

April 23. Box 48. 4.15 p. m. Woods fire on land of State Reservation on West street.

May 7. Box 46. 11.30 a. m. Woods fire on Plain street on land of J. C. Estey and others. Estimated damage, $200.

May 7. Box 46. 7.50 p. m. Woods fire on Plain street.

May 14. Box 46. 6.50 p. m. House at Mayflower Park, owned by Martha M. Snyder of Everett, Mass., occupied by W. E. Jones. Value of building, $600.; total loss. Value of contents, $500; loss, $300. no insurance. Cause—Defective chimney.

June 27. Box 34. 10.45 a. m. Barn on River street, owned

by N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Value, $300; total loss, no insurance. Cause—Sparks from locomotive.

July 4. 12.45 a. m. Box 34. Sign board on Railroad street, owned by Donnelly & Sons. Valued at $25.; damage $10. Cause—Caught from bonfire.

July 4. 2 a. m. Shop on cor. Washington and Pearl streets, owned by Russell Randall. Value, $200.; insurance, $200. No damage. Cause—Incendiary.

July 4. Box 48. 4.10 p. m. Woods fire on land of Mrs. S. J. Hollinsworth on Tremont street.

July 5. Box 43. 12.30 p. m. Lot of old sleepers owned by the N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co. on Union street.

Aug. 7. Box 46. 3.20 p. m. House on Dyer Hill, owned by Mrs. S. J. Hollinsworth. Value, $1,700; insurance, $1,000; damage, $50. Cause—Rubbish in waste basket.

Aug, 11. Box 34. 8.40 p. m. Shed on Elm street, owned by H. B. Vinton et al. Value, $125. Total loss. No insurance. Cause—Unknown.

Sept. 3. Box 123. 10 p. m. A street pole on Quincy ave., owned by Q. and B. Street Railway. No loss. Cause—Struck by lightning.

Sept. 7. Box 43. 12.33 p. m. Box of rubbish on land of F. A. Hobart on Holbrook ave. No loss. Cause—Spontaneous combustion.

Sept. 18. Box 41. 10.30 a. m. Woods fire on land of George French and others on Union and Middle streets.

Oct. 5. Box 48. 11.55 p. m. False.

Oct. 6. Box 123. 1.45 p. m. House on Quincy ave., owned by Q. & B. Street Railway Co., and occupied by John Westlake. Valued at $3,000; loss, $350; insured for $3,000. Value of contents, $1,900; loss, $600. Cause—Unknown.

Oct. 10. Box 42. 1.20 a. m. False.

Oct. 16. Box 45. 12.30 a. m. House on Liberty street, owned by James H. Thayer. Valued at $200. Insured for $200. Total loss. Cause—Incendiary.

Oct. 18. Box 23. 3.10 a. m. Wood work and belts on machinery on Commercial street, owned by John Fallon & Son. Valued at $400; damage $20. Cause—Covering catching fire from boiler.

Nov. 4. Box 26. 1.17 a. m. Machine shop and foundry on Mill lane owned by Victor Metal & Foundry Co. Value of building, $3,600; loss, 2,100; insured for $2,700; value of contents, $7,000; loss, $6,000; in-for $1,800. Cause—Spontaneous combustion.

Nov. 14. 6 a. m. Contents in a house on Franklin street owned by O. M. Rogers and occupied by Henry H. Snow and others. Value of contents, $600; loss, $10; insured for $500. Cause—Spark from stove dropping on carpet.

Dec. 8. Box 145. 3.55 p. m. Woods fire on Pearl street on land of Asa French.

Dec. 11. Box 21. 12.50 p. m. A shed on Quincy ave., owned by the Daniel Hayward estate. Valued at $10. Total loss. Cause—Incendiary.

ALARMS, FIRES, LOSSES.

There were 23 alarms of fire the past year of which 2 were false. There were 6 fires that no alarm was given. The value of property is as follows: Buildings, $17,220. Value of contents, $11,700. Loss on buildings, $3,934.; contents, $6,976.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

We desire to call the attention of the Town to the fact that we need additional ladders in the North and East districts. The ladder truck in the North district should be replaced by a new truck as the one located there has been in use since the Town organized a Fire Department and it is getting beyond its usefulness. In the East district we have but three small ladders and in case of a fair size fire assistance has to be called from the other districts—thus giving fires out of reach of small ladders a chance to make great headway. We believe that the Town is taking too much risk in this district and that the property located there should have better protection.

APPROPRIATION RECOMMENDED.

As the number of alarms seems to be increasing each year the expenses are also increased thereby. I recommend the following appropriations: For pay of firemen, stewards, engineers and superintendent of fire alarm, $1,500. General expenses, $800. Also an appropriation for at least one ladder truck.

Respectfully submitted,

JEREMIAH F. GALLIVAN,

Chief.

Report of Town Clerk.

BRAINTREE, January 1, 1900.

In accordance with the usual custom the Town Clerk submits the following report :—

BIRTHS IN 1899.

DATE.	NAME.	PARENTS' NAMES.
Jan.		
5,	Nina Ethelyn Smith	Thomas J and Anna A (Pardy)
9,	Catherine Gilchrist Houston,	William C and Elizabeth (Wylie)
10,	——— Glover,	John and Lizzie J (Mitchell)
11,	George Archibald Roulston,	Fred A and Ella M (Ross)
13,	Willie Porter Ellsworth Holbrook	Elmer and Mary (Levangie)
14,	Fred Douglas Annis.	Elisha G and Gertrude H (Leonard
16,	Ethel Florence Haskill	Edward and Eveline M (Lovell)
17,	Thos. Francis Anderson,	John T and Lizzie A (DeLorey)
23,	Herbert Gordon Woodworth,	Herbert W and Sarah N (Simms)
23,	Emma Louise Bjorkman	Peter and Ellen (Gustafson)
25,	Elsie May Kiesewetter	George and Grace (Ford)
27,	Agnes Natalie Hazeltine	David C and Lilla B (White)
28,	Florence Louisa McGlone	Alfred and Mary A (Fagan)
28,	Roy Margeson Earley	Edgar M and Laura (Poultredge)
30,	Richard Drew	Clark E and Mary C (Bates)
Feb.		
1,	Mary Magdaline Packard	Charles E and Mary E (Brioda)
1,	Bert Harold Stowe	George H and Minnie (Clough)
7,	Mary Catherine Delory	Simon and Annie (Delory)
9,	——— Nevil	John and Nellie (Connell)
10,	Louisana Spero	Catherine (Norillina)
10,	Harold Horseman	Stephen and Carrie (Hoar)

10,	May Rhoda Kirton	Benjamin and Maria V (Summers)
11,	Clifton Bates Thayer	Herbert A and Annie I (Thayer)
13,	Harold William Mansfield	Francis J and Etta M (Beyett)
13,	——— Downes	Joseph W and Mary (Desmond)
25,	Edwin Force	Edward and Delpha (Creighton)
Mar.		
4,	George Sherwood Williams	George H and Lizziebelle (Hollenbeck)
5,	Walter Leo Levangie	Benjamin and Eliza (DeYoung)
7,	Helen Rebecca Clark	Albert H and Octavia (Brown)
9,	Alice Christina McCarthy	Daniel J and Ellen (Ryan)
11,	Joseph Harold DeCoste	Robert and Alice (Sampson)
12,	——— Buker	Charles F and Annie F (Ceasar)
17,	Ruth Bryant	E Chase and Clara (Keith)
21,	Harold John Starr	Edward J and Mary I (Smith)
22,	Hazel Hull	Richard O. and Clara W (Jones)
28,	——— McDonald	Ranny and Effie (McNeil)
Apr.		
1,	Elmer Parker Brown	Willard P and Mary J (Taylor)
7,	Eleanor Rose Winot	James S and Clara J (Piercy)
8,	Clara Sanborn Reed	Frank A and Eliza M (Sanborn)
14,	——— O'Connell	John and Hannah (———)
15,	Clarence Ray Lunan	James and Mabel (Chambers)
16,	Mary McInnis,	George and Sarah (Walker)
28,	Carlton Harold Dyer	Millard F and Annie M (Hollis)
May		
4,	Mary Robery	Daniel and Mary A (Mitchell)
16,	William Wallace Dyer jr	William W and Edna B (Wood)
16,	William Frederick Welsford	William and Theresa E (Morrison)
25,	Edward Payne Coolidge	E Frank and Rosie S (Payne)
27,	Alton Starr Tirrell	Leon S and Martha C (Tirrell)
June		
23,	Emma Elvera Leth	Charles and Salma (Anderson)
23,	Jennie Riggilio	Lewis and Filomena (Intresana)
28,	Johanna Reardon	Timothy and Mary A (Donahue)
25,	Charles E Holbrook	Charles E and Margaret (McLaughlin

30,	Marion Louise Borden	Herbert W and Emma (Grigg)
30,	Mabel Beatrice Tobey	Harrison L and Helen M (Beal)
July.		
1.	Arvid Robsham Nelson	Neils F and Marie (Isacson)
3,	Victor Hough Heurlin	Julius and Lina (Neilson)
4,	Sarah Oakman Pratt	William H and Agnes M (Pratt)
6,	——— Schools	George W and Josephine (———)
7,	Morris Eugene Berry	George E and Katie (Roy)
8,	Edna Gunilla Johnson	August and Ingred (Bjorkman)
9,	Nanzia Celata	Michele and Angela (Moscatiello)
10,	Alfred Sherman Ellsworth	Alfred J and Gertrude (Sherman)
11,	Mabel Lena Fraser	Robert and Catherine (Breen)
15,	Mina Gertrude Perry	Herbert L and Lottie (Dorrion)
16,	John Roderick McKinnon	Malcomb and Christina A (McKay)
18,	Alexander Milne	Alexander and Margaret (Kyle)
20,	Sarah Margaret Carmichael	Frederick R and Sarah M (Reviere)
24,	John James Kelley	Thomas J and Annie (McCue)
25,	James D. Reardon	James T and Annie E (McMurray)
26,	Dorothy Green	James and Margaret (Leary)
28,	George L Moody	Henry and Leannah (Webb)
30,	——— Hamilton	R B and Nellie (Hayeron)
Aug.		
5,	Mary Lillian Klaus	Frank and Sophia (Carpenter)
5,	Alfred Frazier	Charles and Rosella (Breen)
7,	John Raymond Murphy	John R and Lavina (Feehan)
10,	Frank Webster Sherman	Willard H and Lucy E (Loring)
11,	Harold Wesley Holbrook	Alfred H and Marion D (Perry)
14,	Warren Sargent Parker	George S and Mary L (Arnold)
16,	Clara Ellen Klay	Jacob and Anna M (Wirthrick)
20,	——— Matin	Arthur and Edith (———)
21,	Daniel D Donnelly	Peter C and Katherine (O'Neil)
27,	John Payson Howland	Walter H and Lillian R (Penniman)
28.	Esther Gertrude Close	John J and Mary (Bemis)

Sept.

1,	Helena Bishop Hobart	Albert R and Bertha (Bishop)
10,	Herbert Brown Hollis	Albert F and Maria B (Nugent)
10,	Florence Wilhelmina De Boer	George and Olga M (Arenstien)
13,	Edith Allen Arnold	George A and Edith E (Cain)
13,	Janice Boyden Gammons	Isaac W and Josephine B (Newcomb)
14,	Herbert Willington Burrill	Charles H and Mary L (Belmore)
24,	Ann Augusta Belmore	Levi and Ellen J (Hickey)
24,	——— Terrill	Fred H and Hattie L (Gay)
27,	Theresa Jane Fraser	Jeremiah P and Catherine E (Frazier)
29,	Margaret Sullivan	John and Annie (Bently)
30,	Chester Oliver Sloan	Walter A and Annie T (Curran)
30,	Robert Francis DeYoung	Benjamin R and Mary A (Levangie)
30,	——— Frazier	Elias and Margaret (DeCoste)

Oct.

2,	Leslie Harlan Buxton	Ulysses G and Marguerite M (Killop)
5,	Charles Irving Torrey	Charles E and Annie S (Miller)
8,	Dorothy Edith Edwards	Charles B and Grace A (Brockett)
14,	Benjamin E. Foss	Elmer B and Hannah D (Smith)
18,	Ethel Miller Fisher	Frank A and Florence E (Davis)
20,	Gladys Isabel Irwin	George A and Kate (Hennessey)
22,	Elizabeth Flynn	Morris E and JosephineP (Maher)
23,	William Ellis Condon	John J and Lizzie A (Dennehy)
23,	——— Clapp	Frank E and Carrie (Phillipson)
24,	Rosanna Erminia Woodworth	Frederick W andMary E(Powers)

Nov.

2,	Mansfield Hamblett	George H and Nellie E (Dyer)
4,	Daniel Thomas McPherson	Thomas A and Annie L (Moore)
7,	James Lewis Heaney	John J and Mary E (McGuire)
13,	Infant.	——— ———

18,	Mary Conant Kneeland	Herbert F and Minnie F (Jones)
20,	——— Johnson	Walter D and Catherine E O (Turley)
26,	Patrick Francis Murphy	George and Ellen (Griffin)
27,	George Albert Warburton	Frederick W and Henrietta C (Babbitt)
28,	Mildred Marie O'Connor	John F and Minnie A (McDonald)
29,	Catherine Griffin	John D and Mary E (McCarthy)
Dec.		
1,	Joseph Russell Silver	Joseph F and Sarah M (Hewes)
1,	——— Hogan	William J and Nellie (Connell)
2,	——— Smart	Walter C and Fannie G (Hayward)
3,	Amos Stetson Buker jr	Amos S and Annie E (Ross)
8,	Clarence Desire Dhooge	James M and Charlotte J (Pitts)
10,	Gordon Porter Hammond	William C and Mabelle (Barrett)
12,	Robert Peter King	William and Victoria (Frazier)
17,	George Leslie Reviere	Charles M and Alice C G (Moore)
19,	Walter Francis Thistle	Joseph and Emily (Geuthro)
22,	Mary Porter Schraut	Joseph H and Sarah L (Porter)
31,	Irene Agnes Dewey	S P and Margaret E (Peu)

MARRIAGES IN 1899.

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.	RESIDENCE.
Jan.			
4.	Thomas F. Crooke,	32	Braintree.
	Marie L. Lynch,	29	Somerville.
11.	John J. Heaney,	24	Braintree.
	Mary E. Maguire,	26	Braintree.
Feb.			
4.	Joseph H. Williamson,	19	Braintree.
	Lena G. Sprague,	20	Weymouth.

13.	Lewis Brown,	27	Braintree.
	Celia Landry,	22	Weymouth.
March			
1.	James Lunan,	21	Braintree.
	Mabel Chambers,	18	Braintree.
April.			
13.	Daniel A. McDougal,	27	Braintree.
	Kate A. McNeil,	24	Braintree.
16.	Edward I. Brennan,	25	Braintree.
	Erminia (Ciarlo) Cummings	26	Boston.
May.			
4.	Atherton N. Hunt,	32	Weymouth.
	Sarah W. Lane,	30	Braintree.
27.	William H. Godfrey,	40	Braintree.
	Minnie (Holbrook) Belcher,	28	Braintree.
30.	Michael Levangie,	24	Braintree.
	Lizzie Murphy,	23	Montello.
June.			
1.	John J. Maher,	26	Braintree.
	Belinda A. McNulty,	27	Braintree.
2.	L. Theodore Parlee,	28	Braintree.
	Nellie Storm,	24	Braintree.
7.	Charles S. Whitman,	21	Braintree.
	Emma M. Clarke,	24	Braintree.
14.	Horace R. Drinkwater,	27	Braintree.
	Eleanor R. Clapp.	24	E. Weymouth
19.	Patrick H. Degan,	31	Braintree.
	Norah Maher,	29	Braintree.
20.	Thaddeus Griffin,		Gloucester.
	Judeth B. Dow,		Northwood Vt
21.	Everett S. Hollis,	26	Braintree.
	Eva M. Torrey,	24	N. Weymouth
21.	Joshua Brown Jr.,	25	Quincy.
	Catherine K. Hollinshead,	22	Braintree.
21.	Thomas F. Finnegan,	38	Braintree.
	Alice N. Boyle,	24	Weymouth.
24.	Max Friedrich Blau,	35	Brooklyn N Y
	Julia Ellsworth,	27	Braintree.
28.	Frederick G. Pennock,	32	Braintree.
	Mary B. Hobart,	27	Braintree.

July.			
26.	William H. Noble,	23	Braintree.
	Laura E. McDonald,	20	Braintree.
August.			
1.	Orra Philip Kenneth Horseman	19	Braintree.
	Effie Elizabeth (Wilson) Wakeham	20	Quincy.
8.	Joseph H. Schrant,	28	Randolph.
	Sarah L. Porter,	26	Braintree.
8.	George O'Brien,	30	Braintree.
	Margaret A. Flavin,	22	Braintree.
10.	Oscar Edward Pawlowsky,	26	Braintree.
	Ella Mae Nelson,	22	Palermo, Me.
Sept.			
9.	William Albert White,	21	Providence RI.
	Mary Ellen McSweeney,	21	S. Braintree.
20.	John Wyatt Burnham,	47	Braintree.
	Bessie K. Young,	50	Stoneham.
30.	Jeremiah Dalton,	22	Braintree.
	Mary E. Burns,	20	Weymouth.
Oct.			
4.	Harry Elliot Russell,	23	Quincy.
	Ethel Guild Pitkin,	21	Braintree.
8.	Ralph L. McGlauflin,	18	Braintree.
	Mary W. Thayer,	20	Braintree.
11.	S. Nelson Belcher,	27	Braintree.
	Eliza M. Maxwell,	27	Milbury.
22.	Jeremiah O'Neil,	28	Braintree.
	Abbie Quille,	29	New York
24.	Fred Watson Bartlett,	34	Cohasset.
	Eva A. Tuttle,	23	Braintree.
25.	Charles W. Pollard,	29	Omaha, Neb.
	F. Gertrude Badger,	29	Braintree.
29.	Benjamin Avery Jr.,	55	Cambridge.
	Mary (Pitts) Guilward,	52	Braintree.
31.	Edwin I. T. Grey,	29	Braintree.
	Catherine J. Levangie,	25	Braintree.
Nov.			
8.	James D. Fox,	27	Randolph.
	Stella B. Barnes,	24	Braintree.

9.	Herbert H. Gardner,	27	Braintree.
	Georgie Slack,	18	Braintree.
20.	Frank W. Burns,	23	Braintree.
	Mary (DeLory) O'Connor,	23	Braintree.
26.	Benjamin P. Goodwin,	29	Braintree
	Lurana (Baker) Clark,	31	Braintree.
29.	John P. Dugan,	39	Braintree.
	Mary Galvin,	24	Braintree.
29.	Leonard Felker,	23	Braintree.
	Mary A. McDonald,	21	Braintree.
15.	John P. Bigelow Jr.,	26	Quincy.
	Ruby C. Neal,	23	Braintree.
Dec.			
1.	William Abrous,	32	Braintree.
	Mary Richards,	22	Braintree.
14.	Isaac E. Pearson,	27	Boston.
	Susan G. Doane,	23	Braintree.
20.	Charles Bishop,	25	Quincy.
	Amy McVane,	23	Braintree.
25.	James F. Coneton,	29	Braintree.
	Theresa J. Landry,	20	Braintree.

Whole number of marriages, 48.

Birthplace of Males—Braintree, 8; Quincy, 3; Weymouth, 1; Randolph, 1; other places in Massachusetts, 14; British Provinces, 10; Maine, 3; Ireland, 2; England, New York, Vermont, Germany, Scotland and not known one each.

Females—Braintree, 13; Weymouth, 2; Quincy, 1; other places in Massachusetts, 15; British Provinces, 8: Ireland, 4; Maine, England, Iowa, New Hampshire, and not known one each.

Residence of Males—Braintree, 34; Quincy, 4; Weymouth, 1; other places in Massachusetts, 5; Nebraska, Maine, Vermont and New York, one each.

Females—Braintree, 33; Weymouth, 6; Quincy 1; other places in Massachusetts 5; Vermont, Maine, New York, one each.

Marriages solemnized in Braintree, 17; Boston, 10; Quincy 8; Weymouth, 7; Milbury, Stoneham, Hingham, New Hampshire and Rhode Island, one each.

DEATHS IN 1899.

DATE.	NAME.	BIRTHPLACE.	AGE. Y.	M.	D.
Jan.					
3,	——— Johnson,	———	—	—	—
5,	William Moulton Richards,	Dedham,	73	4	18
5,	Lavinia H. Brockett,	Bradford, Conn.	55	10	—
9,	Margaret L. Newell,	Lebanon, Me.	78	—	16
17,	Charles Gardner,	Wakefield,	90	8	14
19,	Edward Thomas Mann,	Braintree,	—	10	12
27,	Harriet G. Winship,	Pembroke, N. H.	65	7	—
29,	Josiah O. Battles,	Braintree,	1	5	26
Feb.					
5,	Ludovicus W. Holbrook	Braintree,	79	5	2
7,	Emily J. Whitcomb,	Holbrook,	83	5	24
7,	Frederick W. Maybury,	East Boston,	32	2	19
9,	Matthew Smith,	Ireland,	70	11	—
9,	Michael Keene,	Ireland,	79	4	10
12,	George H. Hale,	Bridgton, Me.	57	3	22
14,	Mary Edna McGau,	Elsworth, Me.	46	6	—
18,	Charles Ellsworth Rideout,	So. Litchfield, Me.	32	7	25
20,	John Lowder,	Jamaica Plain,	74	—	—
22,	Paul W. Newcomb,	Quincy,	80	2	8
28,	Dorothy May Burnham,	Braintree,	—	2	—
Mar.					
1,	Martha S. Parks,	Liv'gst'nv'le, N. Y.	74	3	—
1,	Otis Foster,	Dorchester,	70	6	20
3,	Francis H. E. Murphy,	Boston,	3	8	—
12,	——— Buker,	———	—	—	—
19,	Henry B. Goodnow,	Braintree,	59	7	15
27,	Mary Mullin,	Ireland,	79	10	9
28,	Andrew J. Eagan,	Ireland,	73	—	—
28,	Mary Jane Starr,	Weymouth,	37	9	1
28,	——— McDonald,	———	—	—	—
29,	James Riley,	Ireland,	78	—	—
April.					
3,	Sarah M. Mason,	Springfield, Vt.	70	7	26

8,	Elinor R. Winot,	Braintree,	10	hrs.	
12,	Charles Paul Revere,	Braintree,	—	4	15
15,	Adeline White,	Braintree,	70	—	11
16,	——— McInnis,	Braintree,	—	—	1
17,	Joanna G. Hunt,	Boston,	80	2	17
17,	Susan Holbrook,	Braintree,	76	—	—
25,	Maria Goodnow,	Braintree,	82	7	6
27,	——— Wilson,	Braintree,	—	—	—
May.					
1,	Stephen Parker Jones,	Quincy	31	—	21
6,	Samuel Harrington,	Milton,	74	11	8
9,	Joanna Sophia Muenscher,	Providence, R. I.	73	—	—
10,	Cyrus T. Lang,	New H'mpt'n N H	72	1	17
11,	Henry Franklin Packard,	Whitman,	50	5	13
15,	John Sullivan,	Ireland,	50	2	—
16,	Effie N. Randall,	Harwich,	47	7	13
19,	Rebecca J. Thayer,	Braintree,	79	4	28
19,	Infant,	Braintree,	—	—	—
21,	E. Watson Arnold,	Braintree,	62	2	26
23,	Alice E. Rowell,	Braintree,	19	5	6
26,	——— Coolidge,	———	—	—	—
30,	James M. Holbrook,	Randolph,	53	10	22
31,	Mary J. Dyer,	Liberty, Me.	68	1	3
June.					
3,	William E. Rudderham,	Cape Breton,	67	5	12
4,	James M. Willis,	North Easton,	81	2	19
4,	Ida May Brown,	Braintree,	3	—	20
5,	Ann E. Tellier,	Boston,	59	—	—
12,	George H. Bryant,	Chicago, Ill.	53	2	25
30,	Catherine G. Houston,	Braintree,	—	5	21
30,	Mary DeYoung,	N. S.	35	—	—
July.					
1,	Abbie A. Stark,	Mason, N. H.	70	8	2
7,	Arthur Cecil Long,	Braintree,	9	8	—
9.	Ellen M. Dillon,	Braintree,	3	7	—
10,	Catherine Rose,	Germany,	53	2	10
16,	Henry Gardner,	Braintree,	68	5	26
28,	Annie J. Singleton,	St. John, N. B	60	—	—
28,	William H. Locke,	Barnstable,	—	4	—
29,	Peter DeCoste,	N. S.	8	10	5

31,	Jennie M. Dyer,	Braintree,	18	—	—
Aug.					
5,	Andrew Francis,	Braintree,	2	3	12
7,	Mary Rebecca Galbraith,	Boston,	65	7	5
15,	Charles E. Holbrook,	Braintree,	—	1	23
18,	Albert L. Crafts,	Milton,	27	7	3
19,	Elizabeth Curtis Alden,	Stoughton,	71	1	21
21,	Mary J. Brown,	Fall River,	38	10	12
25,	James A. Reynolds,	Ireland,	55	—	—
29,	Asa R. Dickinson,	Mercer, Me.	65	—	—
Sept.					
2,	Pauline Johnson,	Braintree,	1	8	—
4,	Marion G. Downey,	Braintree,	8	8	7
6,	Harold W. Holbrook,	Braintree,	—	—	27
13,	Johanna O. Rierdon,	Braintree,	—	2	20
20,	Bridget C. Bannon,	Ireland,	89	8	8
21,	Willie M. Morrell,	Bethel, Me.	38	4	21
Oct.					
3,	Frank G. Lunt,	Old Town, Me.	46	—	—
8,	Nelson E. McGibbon,	Braintree,	—	9	9
9,	Jacob S. Dyer,	Braintree,	81	8	4
14,	Keron Dyer,	Hingham,	96	—	5
16,	Eva M. Frazier,	Braintree,	—	—	16
21,	Charles Hayden,	Braintree,	94	1	14
25,	——— Clapp,	Braintree,	—	—	2
Nov.					
2,	Mansfield Hamblett,	Braintree,	—	—	—
8,	Mark Clifford Scott,	Nova Scotia,	19	2	28
10,	Ann Arthur,	Ireland,	90	—	—
16,	James E. McMahon,	Braintree,	1	11	2
22,	Lena G. Williamson,	So. Weymouth	21	2	—
22,	Alton S. Tirrell,	Braintree,	—	5	26
27,	Theda C. Howe,	Weymouth,	87	7	—
29,	Caroline White,	Braintree,	71	9	17
Dec.					
1,	Benjamin A. Ham,	Maine,	59	5	—
1,	——— Hogan,	Braintree,	—	—	—
2,	Thomas Robinson Fitch,	Quebec, Ca.	62	1	8
8,	Chester C. Holyoke,	Braintree,	11	2	15
9,	Hannah Carver,	England,	69	—	—

11,	Phedora Underwood,	Orino, Me,	58	—	—
13,	Lydia D. Morrison,	Braintree,	68	2	20
14,	Clarence Dewey Trott,	Braintree,	1	6	6
17,	Ellen M. Thomas,	Weymouth,	68	5	19
28,	Emma J. Crafts,	Canton,	48	1	12
28,	Emma L. Bjorkman,	Braintree,	—	11	6

Whole number of deaths in 1899, 108; males, 55; females, 53; single, 46; married, 37; widowed, 25.

Birthplace—Braintree, 46; other places in Massachusetts, 27; Maine, 10; Ireland, 9; British Provinces, 6; New Hampshire, 3; Connecticut, New York, Rhode Island, Illinois, Germany, England, one each.

Ages—Under 1 year, 23; between 1 and 10, 10; between 10 and 20, 5; between 20 and 30, 2; between 30 and 40, 7; between 40 and 50, 4; between 50 and 60, 12; between 60 and 70, 12; between 70 and 80, 21; between 80 and 90, 8; over 90, 4.

Birthplace—Fathers: Braintree, 11; other places in Massachusetts, 31; British Provinces, 17; Ireland, 12; Maine, 11; England, 5; New Hampshire, 4; Scotland, 3; Connecticut, 2; Vermont, New Jersey, Rhode Island, Louisiana, Italy, Germany, Sweden one each; not known, 5. Mothers: Braintree, 12; other places in Massachusetts, 35; British Provinces, 12; Ireland, 11; Maine, 10; England, 3; Vermont, 3; New York and Scotland, 2 each; Misouri, Rhode Island, Connecticut, Sweden, Germany, one each; not known, 13.

Diseases—Disease of heart, 18; pneumonia, 12; stillborn, 6; consumption, diphtheria, septicemia, 5 each; apoplexy, influenza, 4 each; old age, 3; disease of liver, carcenoma of breast, cystitis, Bright's disease, accident, diabetes, convulsions, brain disease, 2 each; obstruction of foetal system, bronchitis, asphyxiation, insanity, hemoplegia, anemia, hydeunmion, odema of lungs, infantile, senile gangrene, hepatitis, stricture of stomach, purpula, hemorhagegia, cancer, suicide, cholera infantum, thrombosis, colo entritis, abscess, inanition, urenia coma, typhoid fever, meningitis, cerebral hemorrhage, eczcma, jaundice, pericarditis, paralysis, ulcer of stomrch, one each.

TOWN RECORDS.

WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING.

NORFOLK, SS. *To either of the Constables of the Town of Braintree.* GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Braintree, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in said Braintree, on Monday, the sixth day of March, 1899, at seven o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, namely:

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To hear the report of the several town officers and act theron.

ART. 3. To determine the manner of repairing the highways and bridges the ensuing year.

ART. 4. To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year. Also to vote on the following question, "Yes or No," as required by chapter 54, of the Acts of the Legislature of 1881, namely: Shall licenses be granted in this town for the sale of intoxicating liquors? Under this article the polls will be kept open until one o'clock P. M.

ART. 5. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

ART. 6. To raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the expenses of the town for the ensuing year.

ART. 7. To see if the town will accept the jury list, as prepared by the Selectmen.

ART. 8. To see if the town will vote to charge interest on all unpaid taxes after a certain date.

ART. 9. To see if the town will vote an appropriation to Post 87, G. A. R., in defraying the expenses of memorial services on Memorial Day.

Art. 10. To see what compensation the town will vote to pay the members of the Fire Department the ensuing year.

Art. 11. To see if the town will vote a sum of money for the general expenses of the Fire Department. Also a sum of money for repairs on apparatus.

Art. 12. To see if the town will instruct the engineers of the Fire Department to change the system of battery of the fire alarm and appropriate a sum of money for the same.

Art. 13. To see if the town will vote a sum of money to pay the cost of damages to the fire alarm caused by the storms in 1898.

Art. 14. To see if the town will vote a sum of money to purchase new hose for the Fire Department.

Art. 15. To see if the town will vote to extend the fire alarm system and appropriate a sum of money for the same.

Art. 16. To see if the town will vote to place a fire alarm box on Fountain street and appropriate a sum of money for the same.

Art. 17. To see if the town will vote to extend the sidewalk on Franklin street and appropriate money therefor.

Art. 18. To see if the town will vote the sum of $1,000 to pay one-half of the expense of laying concrete or granolythic sidewalks in town.

Art. 19. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow such a sum of money for a term of five years, at a rate not to exceed 3½ per cent. per annum, as may be necessary to pay any outstanding notes of the town, payable on demand, and now drawing interest of 4 per cent. per annum.

Art. 20. To see if the town will hold the Treasurer harmless on his bond from any loss which may arise from the failure of any national bank in which the funds of the town may be on deposit.

Art. 21. To see if the town will continue to pay for the bond of its Treasurer as last year.

Art. 22. To see if the town will vote an appropriation for hydrant service.

Art. 23. To appropriate a sum of money for the Water Loan Sinking Fund.

Art. 24. To appropriate a sum of money for the Electric Light Sinking Fund.

Art. 25. To appropriate a sum of money to convey pupils to and from the public schools.

Art. 26. To see if the town will vote to continue the night police and appropriate money for the same.

Art. 27. To make such appropriations as may be necessary for operating the electric lighting system. Also to make such appropriations as may be necessary to provide additional power to operate the system.

Art. 28. To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 186, of the Acts of the Legislature of 1895; entitled "An act relative to the watering of streets in towns," or take any action which may be legal in relation to the watering of the streets and make such appropriations as may be necessary therefor. Also to see if the town will appropriate a sum of money to reimburse Peter McConaty for his labor and expenses for watering the streets in 1898.

Art. 29. To see if the town will elect a Board of Electric Light Commissioners, as provided by section 10 of chapter 454, of the Acts of the Legislature of 1893.

Art. 30. To see if the town will vote to establish one or more drinking fountains in the public streets or squares in the town.

Art. 31. To see if the town will vote to place a watering trough at or near the junction of West and Granite streets and appropriate a sum of money for the same.

Art. 32. To see if the town will vote to build a drain connecting with the present drain on Franklin street, extending it through Washington and Pearl streets or any portion thereof and appropriate a sum of money for the same.

Art. 33. To choose any committees, or hear the report of any committees and act thereon.

Art. 34. To see if the town will vote to enlarge the drain on Elm street, near the factory of A. C. Drinkwater and appropriate a sum of money for the same.

Art. 35. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money to repair the retaining wall on the easterly side of the northerly approach to the drawbridge on Quincy avenue.

You are to give notice of this meeting by posting up true and attested copies of this warrant in not less than nine public places in this town, seven days at least before the time of said meeting, and by publishing once in the Braintree Reporter.

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk; before the time of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Braintree; this twenty-first day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

ANSEL O. CLARK,
WM. W. MAYHEW,
J. PARKER HAYWARD,
Selectmen of Braintree.

A true copy. Attest:
H. A. MONK,
Town Clerk.

BRAINTREE, March 6, 1899.

In accordance with the foregoing warrant the meeting was called to order at 7 o'clock a. m. and the warrant read by the Town Clerk.

Mr. A. F. Hollis was appointed to check the voting list and was sworn.

ART. 1. Upon ballot Mr. F. A. Hobart was elected moderator and was sworn by the Town Clerk.

Voted to lay Articles 2 and 3 on the table.

ART. 4. Voted that the town proceed to ballot for a Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, three Selectmen who shall also be Assessors, Overseers of the Poor and Highway Surveyors, One Water Commissioner and Commissioner of Sinking Funds for three years. Two members of the School Committee for three years, three Auditors, two Trustees of Thayer Public Library for two years, three fence viewers, fifteen constables, all on one ballot. Also to vote yes or no on the following question: as required by Chapter 54 of the Acts of 1881. Namely; "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town."

The moderator appointed Mr. B. T. Dyer to take charge of the ballot box, Mr. Horace Faxon to distribute license ballots, Messrs. F. W. Crooker, C. G. Jordan and Caleb Thompson as tellers to assort and count the ballots all of whom were sworn to the faithful performance of their duties.

Voted that the only business transacted at this meeting be what may be necessary under Article 3, 4 and 33 of the warrant after which the moderator shall declare the meeting adjourned to next Monday evening March 13th at 7.30 o'cloek p. m.

Voted that a committee of fifteen be appointed by the chair, said committee to include a representative from each department of the town having charge of the expenditure of the money to take into consideration each and every article of the warrant calling for the appropriation or expenditure of any money and report at any adjournment of this meeting.

Moderator appointed Messrs. A. E. Avery, John Kelley, Benjamin F. Dyer, Ansel O. Clark, Charles A. Belcher, William A. McKean, Daniel Potter, Thomas A. Watson, Alva S. Morrison, George H. Arnold, James T. Stevens, E. E. Abercrombie, E. Watson Arnold, Brainard T. Dyer and Joel F. Sheppard as that committee.

Art. 3. Voted that for the ensuing year the repairs of highways and bridges be done under the direction of the selectmen.

Voted that on the return of Company K 5th Regiment after their discharge, a reception be given them by the town; that a committee of seven be appointed of which the moderator of this meeting shall be chairman to make arrangements, for the same, the committee to have full power.

The committee was constituted as follows: Messrs. F. A. Hobart, John Kelley, S. F. Pratt, B. T. Dyer, H. A. Monk, W. L. Gage and Henry M. Storms.

Voted to choose five surveyors of wood and weighers of hay. Messrs. J. M. Arnold, Peter B. Lawson, B. H. Woodsum, William Allen and Edward H. Wight was chosen.

Voted to choose the surveyers of lumber. Messrs. Martin L. Tupper, Henry Gardner and George H. Holbrook were chosen.

Voted to instruct the selectmen to appoint one measurer of leather, one pound keeper and three field drivers.

The polls were declared closed at one o'clock p. m.

Mr. F. W. Crooker for the tellers reported the result of the ballot as follows :

Whole number of ballots cast 235.

For Town Clerk Henry A. Monk 235 and he was elected and was sworn.

For Town Treasurer, Daniel Potter 2, Benjamin F. Dyer 233. Benjamin F. Dyer was declared elected and was sworn.

For Selectman, Assessors, Overseers of the Poor and Highway Surveyors, Ansel O. Clark 233, William W. Mayhew 232, J. Parker Hayward 235, Elmer Vinton 1, Blanks 4. Ansel O. Clark, William W. Mayhew and J. Parker Hayward were declared elected and were sworn.

For Water Commissioner and Commissioner of Sinking Funds for 3 years John Kelley 232, H. L. Patten 1, Blanks 2. John Kelly was declared elected and accepted.

For School Committee for 3 years, Carrie F. Loring 232, William C. Harding 235, blanks 3. Carrie F. Loring and William C. Harding were declared elected.

For Auditors, Daniel Potter 234, Charles S. Bates 235, N. F. Hunt 234, George H. Holbrook 1, Charles C. Mellen 1, Daniel Potter, Charles S. Bates and N. F. Hunt were declared elected.

Trustees of Thayer Public Library, E. Watson Arnold 235, Nathaniel H. Hunt 235 and they were declared elected and accepted.

For Fence Viewers, F. W. Crooker 231, Edward M. Wight 235, W. A. Kane 235, S. F. Pratt 3, blank 1. F. W. Crooker, Edward M. Wight and W. A. Kane were declared elected and were sworn.

For constables, Horace Faxon 234, Joseph W. Stetson 235, Thomas Downey 231, David C. Haseltine 232, James R. Qualey 225, J. C. Starkey 234, John Gallivan 229, John Kelley 239, Benjamin J. Loring 234, Henry Dugan jr. 230, Horace F. Hunt 235, William E. Maybury 235, Albert R. Hobart 235, Conrad Mischler 231, Christopher T. Bailey 234. All sworn ex-

cept Albert R. Hobart who declined. S. F. Pratt 1, M. F. Drinkwater 1, blanks 39.

Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicattng liquors in this town?

Whole number of votes 200. Yes 39. No 161.

The meeting was declared adjourned to Monday March 13 at 7.30 o'clock p. m.

A true record.—Attest.

H. A. MONK,
Town Clerk.

BRAINTREE, March 13, 1899.

The town met in accordance with the adjournment from March 6th. Meeting called to order at 7.40 o'clock by the Moderator.

ART. 6, Taken up the committee on appropriations reported their recommendations, the report being read by Mr. Daniel Potter, secretary of the committee.

Voted to act on the report, each item separately, the school appropriations to be first considered.

The following appropriations were voted:

SCHOOLS.

For pay of teachers in addition to the dog tax and school fund . .	$14,950 00
Superintendent	1,400 00
Janitors, including cleaning and care of buildings	1,808 00
Text-books and supplies . . .	1,600 00
Incidentals for schools	400 00
Schoolhouse improvements . . .	1,000 00
Fuel	1,200 00
ART. 25, Conveyance of pupils to and from the public schools . .	750 00

SELECTMEN'S DEPARTMENT.

ART. 6, for support of poor . .	4,000 00

Soldiers' aid, acts of 1890 . . .	400 00
Soldiers' aid, chapter 279 . . .	75 00
Incidental expenses	2,500 00
Town officers	3,650 00

The committee recommended an appropriation of fifty-four hundred dollars [$5400] for repairs of highways, bridges and stone roads.

Voted to appropriate twenty-five hundred dollars [$2500] additional such portion of the same as may be needed to be used for the completion of the widening of Commercial street, the balance, if any, to build new stone roads, making total appropriated for highways and bridges . $7,900 00

Removal of snow	3,500 00
Drawbridge	100 00
Town hall	100 00
Town lands	50 00
Insurance	700 00
Collection and abatement of taxes .	1,500 00
Court fees and expenses . . .	100 00
Janitor of town hall and public library	600 00
General repairs on sidewalks . .	700 00
Sidewalk on Franklin street . . .	300 00

Water Department.

For hydrant service 167 at $25 each .	4,175 00
For sinking funds	5,120 00

Electric Light Department.

For operating the street lighting system	8,500 00

Voted that the revenue derived from the domestic and commercial lights, meter rents and jobbing for the year 1899 be applied to pay $430 for the sinking fund and the balance for operating expenses and connecting new users.

Fire Department.

For general expenses and repairs on apparatus	$900 00
For pay of members	1,225 00
For new hose	325 00

For extension of fire alarm and new alarm boxes	400 00
To change the system of battery of the fire alarm	300 00
For damages caused by the storms in 1898 to the fire alarm . . .	300 00

SUNDRY NOTES PAYABLE IN 1899.

For account of Jonas Perkins schoolhouse	3,100 00
For account of Monatiquot schoolhouse	3,300 00
Electric light department . . .	2,500 00

SUNDRY APPROPRIATIONS.

Night police	2,190 00
Interest on town debt	5,000 00
Public library	1,000 00
Distribution of books	100 00
Voted to appropriate the sum of one hundred and seventy-five dollars and pay the same to Post 87, G. A. R. to assist in the expenses of Memorial Day . . .	75 00

ART. 33. The committee on street watering appointed at the last annual meeting reported with recommendations, report received and read.

ART. 28. Voted that the subject matter of this article be divided.

Voted to adjourn until Monday March 20, at 7.30 o'clock p. m.

A true record.—Attest,

H. A. MONK,
Town Clerk.

BRAINTREE, March 20, 1899.

The town met in accordance with adjournment from March 13. The meeting was called to order at 7.40 o'clock p. m., by the moderator.

Art. 28. Voted that the subject matter contained in the last part of this article be referred to the selectmen and the water department to do what in their judgment is for the best interests of the town.

Art. 33. Taken up the committee on new schoolhouse reported.

Voted to receive the same and place on file.

Voted that a committee of seven be appointed to take the whole matter of new schoolhouse into consideration including plans, location etc., report to the town at some future meeting. Messrs. George H, Arnold, Thomas A. Watson, Irving W. Horne, Herbert W. Borden, George H. Holbrook, Caleb Thompson and Will H. Shaw were appointed as that committee.

Voted that a committee of seven be appointed to consider the present and future requirements of the electric system with a view of securing economy and efficiency. That they consider the cost of furnishing electricity for domestic purposes under recent improvements, that they have power if they deem it necessary to employ expert assistance. Said committee to serve without pay except actual expenses that may be incurred in the performance of their duty. Messrs. John Kelley, W. E. Dow, James T. Stevens, Benjamin F. Dyer, E. E. Abercrombie, A. O. Clark and W. E. Maybury were appointed as that committee.

Art. 31. Mr. Charles W. Clapp offered to present the town with a watering trough if it would set and connect the same.

Voted to accept the same and tender the thanks of the town to Mr. Clapp.

Voted to authorize the placing of a watering trough at the corner of West and Granite streets, that the same be connected with the water system under the direction of the water department and that the sum of twenty-five dollars be appropriated for the same.

Art. 32. Indefinitely postponed.

Art. 34. Indefinitely postponed.

Art. 35. Indefinitely postponed.

Art. 2. The official report of the several Town Officers presented. Voted that it be accepted.

Art. 4. Voted that the collection of taxes be let out to the lowest bidder. Mr. Frank A. Smith agreed to collect the taxes for six mills and nine tenths on a dollar and he was balloted for and elected tax collector for the ensuing year.

Art. 6. Voted that a sum of seven thousand dollars [$7,000] from the Bank and Coporation tax be applied to the foregoing appropriations.

Voted to appropriate in the aggregate the sum of eighty-seven thousand nine hundred and eighteen [$87,918] dollars, and that eighty thousand nine hundred and eighteen dollars [$80,918] of that amount be assessed.

Art. 5. Voted, that for the purpose of procuring a temporary loan to and for the use of the town of Braintree, in anticipation of the taxes of the present Municipal year, the Town Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to borrow from time to time with the approval of the Board of Selectmen a sum or sums not to exceed in the aggregate, seventy-five thousand dollars [$75,000] and to execute and deliver the note or notes of the town therefor, payable within one year from the time the loan is made, with interest thereon, at the lowest rate that can be procurred at the time the loan is made. Any debt or debts incurred by a loan or loans to the town under this vote shall be paid from the taxes of the present municipal year.

Art. 8. Voted to charge interest on all taxes remaining unpaid after Dec. 1, 1899 at the rate of six per cent. per annum.

Art. 7. Voted to take the name of Edward Hobart from the jury list as presented by the Selectmen and substitute the name of Edward W. Hobart.

Voted to accept the jury list as mended, viz. : Arnold Franklin E., Arnold Richard L., Arnold J. Sargent, Abercrombie Elmer E., Bayley James H., Bates Andrew J., Bates J. Franklin, Bates Charles S., Bates, Frank Albert, Crathern C. Frank Hill, Connell, James, Crooker, Francis W., Cuff William H., Clapp Charles W., Currier William H., Cain Daniel E., Dorr Willard E., Doane Henry W, Dyer, F. Eugene, Ellsworth George G., French George A., French George G., Fuller George F., Gardner Francis A., Gallivan Jeremiah F., Gage R. Allen, Hobart Arthur L., Hobart Edward W., Hobart Adam W., Hale Edward A., Hollis William A., Hayward Jonathan P., Hayward

J. Francis, Harrison William C., Harrison Thomas P., Howland Walter H., Hunt Nathaniel F., Jordan Charles G.. Knight Bradford Y., Kelley, Hiram H., Mansfield Henry W., Monk Henry A., McRae Augustus, Osgood George W., Pennock Frederick G., Pierson Edward O., Porter Elbridge F., Richards Charles G., Rogers Orville M., Sampson Josephas, Shaw Willie H., Sheppard, Charles G. Sullivan Edward J., Stocker Robert R., Sutton John H., Shaw Martin V. B., Stevens George W., Smith Henry R., Southworth Alfred, Thompson Caleb, Tupper Foster F., Tuttle G. Henry, White, Jonathan F., Witherell Whitfield, Whitcomb Charles G., Woodsum Rufus H., Watson Thomas A., White Hartley L.

Art. 19. Indefinitely postponed.

Art. 20. Voted to hold the Treasurer harmless on his bond from any loss from the failure of any National Bank in which the funds of the town may be on deposit with the approval of the Board of Selectmen.

Art. 21. Voted that the town pay for the bond of its Treasurer and that the Town Treasurer be and is hereby made the custodian of all money of the several departments of the town and all the securities of the several "sinking funds" of the town. The Board of Water Commissioners are hereby instructed to elect the Treasurer of the town, Treasurer of the Water Department. The Selectmen are hereby instructed to require from the Treasurer such a bond as in their judgment is necessary for the safety of such money and securities.

Art. 29. Indefinitely postponed.

Art. 30. Indefinitely postponed.

Art. 6. Voted, that the Treasurer be instructed upon the receipt of the five thousand dollars [5,000] from the County on the completion of the widening of Commercial Street to immediately apply the same to the payment of town debt.

The following resolutions were presented by Hon. Asa French and adopted.

Resolved, That the town gratefully acknowledges the recent gift by Amos W. Stetson, Esq., to the Trustees of the Thayer Public Library of the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars [$2,500] for the establishment of a fund to be called the

"Caleb Stetson Fund" and the income of which is to be used in the purchase of books for said library.

Resolved, That the instrument of trust accompanying said gift, dated March 13th 1899, be entered at large upon the records of the town, and that, in accordance with its terms, the treasurer be instructed to borrow said amount of said trustees, giving therefor the note of the town bearing interest at the rate of four per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, and to apply the same in his discretion in the cancellation of any authorized indebtedness of the town now outstanding, or hereafter to be incurred.

Resolved, That the Clerk be instructed to transmit to Mr. Stetson a certified copy of these resolves.

BOSTON, March 13 th1899.

To the Trustees of the Public Library of Braintree:—In memory of my father I give you my checque for $2,500 to establish a small fund to be called the "Caleb Stetson Fund" the income to be expended in the purchase of books for the Library; the same to be invested in the note or bond of said town for said amount at a rate of interest not less than four per cent. per annum, and whenever said town shall fail to pay to the trustees of the library said interest for any one year, then the principal of said fund shall revert to my heirs at law.

[Signed] AMOS W. STETSON.

Voted to authorize the Selectmen to draw orders on the Treasurer to the amount of thirty-three hundred dollars [$3,300] for payment of State Aid and to the amount of seven hundred dollars [$700] for hospital expenses.

Voted, to tender the thanks of the town to the Moderator for his efficient services and that he be paid the sum of twenty-five dollars [$25.]

Voted to adjourn sine die.

A true record. Attest:

H. A. MONK,

Town Clerk

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING.

NORFOLK SS. *To either of the Constables of the Town of Braintree:* GREETING :—

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Braintree, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in said Braintree, on Thursday, the fifteenth day of June, 1899, at eight o'clock in the evening, to act on the following articles, namely:

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To hear the report of the committee chosen at the last annual town meeting in relation to building a new schoolhouse.

ART. 3. To see if the town will vote to select a location for a new school building as recommended by said committee, or otherwise.

ART. 4. To see if the town will vote to appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to build a new schoolhouse.

ART. 5. To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of Chap. 186 of the Acts of the Legislature of 1895, entitled, "An act relative to the watering of streets in towns," or to take any action which may be legal in relation to watering streets and to make such appropriations as may be necessary therefor.

ART. 6. To see if the town will vote to extend the water system on Pond street to the Randolph line and connect with the Randolph system. Also to extend in Cedar street and Park street to connect with the main in Lowell street and appropriate a sum of money for the same. Also to lay water mains in lands of Hewes & Mason on Norfolk Hills so called.

ART. 7. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money to widen Mill Lane in East Braintree, leading from Commercial street to the Hobart mill, by removing and rebuilding the wall on the easterly side of said Lane, provided: Mr. V. P. Lassen will give the land for the same.

ART. 8. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money to be expended to suppress the sale of intoxicating liquors.

Art. 9. To hear the report of the committee chosen by the town to investigate the electric light department and to enlarge or increase the wants of the same, and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to make additions to the same if deemed necessary.

Art. 10. Choose any committee that may be deemed necessary, or hear the report of any committee and act thereon.

You are to give notice of this meeting by posting up true and attested copies of this warrant in not less than nine public places in this town seven days at least before the time of said meeting and by publishing the same once in the Braintree Bee.

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk before the time of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Braintree, this fifth day of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

ANSEL O. CLARK,
W M. W. MAYHEW,
J. PARKER HAYWARD,
Selectmen of Braintree.

A true copy. Attest:

H. A. MONK,
Town Clerk.

Braintree, June 15, 1899.

In accordance with the foregoing warrant the town met at the time and place designated. The Town Clerk called the meeting to order and read the warrant.

Article 1. Upon the ballot Mr. F. A. Hobart was elected Moderator and sworn to the faithful performance of his duties.

Art. 2. The committee appointed at the last annual meeting to consider matters in connection with a new school building presented their report by the chairman, Mr. G. H. Arnold.

Voted, To receive the report and place on file.

Art. 4. Voted, That the sum of fifteen thousand dollars [$15,000.] be appropriated for the purpose of building a new

schoolhouse in Middle street district, the money to be raised under the following plan submitted by the Town Treasurer. That the Town Treasurer be and is hereby authorized under the the direction of the Board of Selectmen to issue the notes of the town for the aggregate sum of fifteen thousand dollars, [$15,000] for the purpose of acquiring land and erecting a schoolhouse in the Middle street district, said notes to bear interest at a rate not exceeding 3½ per cent. per annum and to be payable on September first of each year as follows, viz:

The year 1900, one thousand dollars, [$1,000]

The year 1901, five hundred dollars, [500.]

The years 1902-1903-1904 one thousand dollars each [1,000]

The years 1905-1906-1907-1908, two thousand dollars each [$2,000].

The year 1909, twenty-five hundred dollars [$2,500]

And the selectmen are hereby instructed to raise by taxation each year as named above a sum sufficient to pay each note as it falls due, together with the amount of accrued interest on each note remaining unpaid.

Art. 3. The following proposition was submitted to the town by the schoolhouse committee.

To the committee appointed by the town of Braintree to take under consideration the erection of a new school building.

Gentlemen :—I hereby obligate myself to give to the town of Braintree, a sufficient deed of a certain lot of land described as follows: A lot of land located on the northwest corner of Cleveland and Harrison avenues in the town of Braintree, bounded on the easterly side by Cleveland avenue and running northerly from Harrison avenue, one hundred sixty-nine feet more or less to the land owned by Mrs. O. L. Gillett; on the southerly side by Harrison avenue and running westerly from Cleveland avenue one hundred seventy-five feet; on the westerly side by a line running at right angles to Harrison avenue, northerly to the land owned by Mrs. O. L. Gillett; and on the northerly side by land owned by Mrs. O. L. Gillett and running from Cleveland avenue westerly to the line named above running northerly at right angles to Harrison avenue, containing about thirty thousand [30,000] feet. This obligation binding me and my heirs to its fulfillment whenever the town shall have

made the necessary appropriation and its building committee are ready to contract for the erection of a schoolhouse thereon. This proposal is made subject only to the conditions that said school building and any buildings connected therewith, shall be located not less than forty [40] feet from the northerly line of Harrison avenue as it is now open, and that the erection of the same shall be begun on or before January 1, 1900. Braintree, Mass., June 5, 1899. [Signed] N. E. Hollis.

Voted that the town accept the gift of land tendered by Mr. N. E. Hollis.

Voted that the same committee viz: Messrs. George H. Arnold, Thomas A. Watson, Irving W. Horne, Herbert W. Borden, George H. Holbrook, Caleb Thompson, Will H. Shaw be constituted a building committee to carry out the purpose of the town expressed by the foregoing votes.

Voted that when said building is completed it be known by the name of Penniman School.

Voted that the thanks of the town be extended to Mr. N. E. Hollis for his generous gift of land.

Art. 5. Voted to accept the provisions of Chapter 186 of the Acts of the Legislature of the year 1895.

Voted to instruct the Selectmen to assess the abuttors on streets watered, two cents per front foot and that any deficit over and above said amount be paid from the appropriation for general repairs of highways; that the water department be instructed to furnish water for this purpose free of charge; that the water department is hereby instructed to place stand pipes in convenient places in the several parts of the town. The watering of the streets to be let by contract. The following streets to be watered from Cart bridge to Quincy line, from Storr's square to Adams, Adams Front and Commercial streets to Weymouth line, Quincy avenue from Commercial street to residence of J. F. Sheppard, with such additional streets as the selectmen deem necessary.

Voted to adjourn to Friday evening June 23, at 7.30 o'clock.

A true record.—Attest.

H. A. MONK,
Town Clerk.

BRAINTREE, Mass., June 23, 1899.

The town met in accordance with adjournment from June 15.

ART. 6. Taken up. Voted to refer the whole matter of extensions to the board of water commissioners with full power.

ART. 7. Voted to refer the matter of the widening of Mill lane to the board of selectmen with full power to act according to their best judgment.

ART. 8. Voted that the sum of three hundred dollars [300.] he appropriated to be expended under the direction of Rev. C. F. Hill Crathern for the suppression of the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town and that the night police be instructed to render him any assistance in their power and to use their efforts for said purpose.

ART.. 10 The committee to investigate the alleged illegal occupation of the highways by the A. S. Morrison Co., reported that said company would relinquish any lighting other than that granted them by the town when the town would furnish light to said consumers.

Voted to accept the report of the committee aud that the same be placed on file.

ART. 9 The committee appointed at the last annual town meeting to investigate the needs of the Electric Lighting plant reported with a recommendation that the sum of twenty-three thouands dollars be appropriated.

Voted to refer the matter back to the committee with instructions to further investigate, especially a proposition they had received from Mr. Graham relative to selling the town electricity for light and power, and report at an adjournment of this meeting.

Voted to adjourn to Friday July 7, at 8 o'clock p. m.

A true record.—Attest.

H. A. MONK,

Town Clerk.

BRAINTREE, July 7, 1899.

The town met in accordance with adjournment from June 23.

The town clerk read a letter from Mr. F. A. Hobart, resigning the office of Moderator.

ART. 1. Taken up and on ballot Mr. E. E. Abercrombie was elected Moderator to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Hobart, and was sworn by the town clerk.

ART. 9. The committee on Electric Lighting to whom was recommitted their report made at the last meeting, reported in substance, same as original report, see files. Voted to accept the report of the committee.

Voted to appropriate the sum of twenty-three thousand [$23,000] dollars to enlarge the Electric Light plant.

Voted that the town treasurer be and is hereby authorized under the direction of the selectmen to issue the notes of the town for the aggregate sum of twenty-three thousand dollars [$23,000] for the purpose of enlarging and increasing the town Electric Lighting plant; said notes to bear interest at a rate not exceeding 3½ per cent. per annum, and to be payable on September first of each year, as follows, viz:

In the year 1900 one thousand dollars	[$1,000]
In the year 1901 five hundred dollars	[500]
In the years 1902-1903-1904 fifteen hundred dollars, each year,	[1,500]
In the years 1905-1906-1907-1908-1909 thirty-four hundred dollars, each year,	[3,400]

[equal twenty-three thousand dollars] and that the selectmen are hereby instructed to raise by taxation each year as named above a sum sufficient to pay each note as it falls due, together with the amount of accrued interest on each note remaining unpaid.

ART. 10. Voted that the same commitee: viz J. M. Kelley, W. E. Dorr, J. T. Steveus, B. F. Dyer, E. C. Abercrombie, A. O. Clark, W. E. Maybury have charge of and are hereby authorized to make said improvements to the Electric light plant.

Mr. Abercrombie resigned from the committee and Mr. John Cavanagh was appointed.

Voted to adjourn.

A true record.—Attest.

H. A. MONK,
Town Clerk.

WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING.

NORFOLK, SS. *To either of the Constables of the Town of Braintree.* GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Braintree, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in said Braintree, on Wednesday, the twenty-seventh day of September, at seven and one-half o'clock in the evening, to act on the following articles, namely:

ARTICLE 1st. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2d. To see if the Town will appropriate the additional sum of three thousand dollars to increase the Electric Light Plant.

You are to give notice of this meeting by posting up true and attested copies of this warrant in not less than nine public places in this town seven days at least before the time of said meeting, and by publishing the same once in the Braintree Reporter.

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk before the time of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Braintree this nineteenth day of September, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

ANSEL O. CLARK,
WM. W. MAYHEW,
Selectmen of Braintree.

A true copy. Attest:

H. A. MONK,
Town Clerk.

BRAINTREE, September 27, 1899.

In accordance with the foregoing warrant the town met at the time and place designated. Henry A. Monk, Town Clerk, read the warrant.

ARTICLE 1. Upon ballot Mr. F. A. Hobart was elected moderator and was sworn by the Town Clerk.

ART. 2. Voted to appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars [$3,000] to increase the Electric Light Plant and that the same be provided for in the following manner: That the Town Treasnrer be and is hereby authorized under the direction of the Selectmen to issue the note or notes of the Town for the sum of three thousand dollars [$3,000] for the purpose of enlarging and increasing the Town Electric Lighting Plant, said note or notes to bear interest at a rate not exceeding 3½% per annum and to be payable September 1st, 1910; and that the Selectmen are hereby instructed to raise by taxation each year a sum sufficient to pay the interest as it falls due and in the year 1910 a sum sufficient to pay the note or notes at maturity.

Voted to adjourn sine die.

A true record. Attest:

H. A. MONK,

Town Clerk.

WARRANT FOR ELECTION.

NORFOLK, SS. *To either of the Constables of the Town of Braintree.* GREETIMG:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Braintree qualified to vote in Elections to meet at the Town Hall in said Braintree, on Tuesday, the seventh day of November, 1899 at six o'clock in the forenoon to bring in their votes to the Selectmen for Governor of the Commonwealth, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor, Attorney General, Councillor, Senator, two Representatives in General Court and one County Commissioner.

All of the above votes to be on one ballot.

The polls will be kept open until one o'clock, P. M.

You are directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof in not less than nine public places in this town seven days at least before the time of said meeting and by publishing the same once in The Braintree Bee.

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Selectmen before the time of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Braintree this twenty-eighth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand, eight hundred and ninety-nine.

ANSEL O. CLARK,
WILLIAM W. MAYHEW,
J. PARKER HAYWARD,
Selectmen of Braintree.

A true copy. Attest:

H. A. MONK,
Town Clerk.

BRAINTREE, Nov. 7, 1899.

In accordance with the foregoing warrant the meeting was called to order and the warrant read by Ansel O. Clark, chairman of the Board of Selectmen who presided at the meeting.

W. A. Kane and Richard L. Arnold having been appointed ballot clerks; George W. Stevens and John T. Powers, inspectors; Walter Howland, Charles A, Belcher, Dennis Dugan and Will H. Shaw, tellers were all sworn by the Town Clerk.

The Town Clerk delivered the first set of ballots to the presiding officer and received his receipt therefor.

The cards of instruction and specimen ballots were posted according to law.

The clerk of the Board of Registrars of Voters furnished the presiding officer with a list of the qualified voters for the use of the Selectmen and a duplicate copy for the use of the ballot clerks.

The polls were declared open at six o'clock A. M.

Voted that the polls be kept open until two o'clock P. M., and that they be closed at that time.

The polls were declared closed at 2 o'clock P. M.

At the close of the balloting the presiding officer announced that eight hundred and eighty ballots had been cast and that that number of names had been checked by the Selectmen and also by the Ballot Clerks.

At the close of the counting of the ballots the Presiding Officer also announced that eight hundred and eighty ballots had been deposited, that they were all cancelled, and that they were for the following persons, namely:

GOVERNOR.

Albert B. Coats, Prohibition	20
W. Murray Crane, Republican	528
Robert Treat Paine Jr., Democratic	240
George R. Peare, Socialist Labor Party	12
Winfield P. Porter, Democratic Social Nom. Paper	21
H. Augustus Thayer	1
Blanks	58
Total	880

LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR

John L. Bates, Republican	551
John H. Mack, Democratic	225
James H. Roberts, Prohibition	9
Isaac W. Skinner, Democratic Social Nom. Paper	20
James F. Stevens, Socialist Labor Party	11
H. Lambert Patten	1
Blanks	63
Total,	880

SECRETARY.

Charles H. Bradley, Democratic Social Nom. Paper	21
John B. Lewis jr., Prohibition	16
Henry Lloyd, Democratic	227
Frank McDonald, Socialist Labor Party	18
William M. Olin, Republican	520
Blanks	78
Total	880

TREASURER.

Edward S. Bradford. Republican	537
Joseph J. Flynn, Democratic	219
Herbert B. Griffin, Prohibition	7
Frederick A. Nagler, Socialist Labor Party	13
Charles W. White, Democratic Social Nom. Paper	19
Blanks	85
Total	880

AUDITOR.

Elbridge Gerry Brown, Democratic	239
Frank Albion Forsstrom, Socialist Labor Party	14
John W. Kimball, Republican	519
Angus McDonald, Democratic Social Nom. Paper	18
Franklin A. Palmer, Prohibition	12
Blanks	87
Total	880

ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

Addison W. Barr, Democratic Social Nom. Paper	25
Hosea M. Knowlton, Republican	535
John H. Morrison, Democratic	210
Sidney Perley, Prohibition	12
Walter P. J. Shahan, Socialist Labor Party	16
Blanks	82
Total	880

COUNCILLOR.

William W Davis, Republican	536
Thomas J. A. Johnson, Democratic	254
Blanks	29
Total	880

SENATOR.

Robert C. Habberley, Prohibition	15
Edwin C. Jenney, Democratic,	284
B. Herbert Woodsum, Republican	516
Blanks	65
Total	880

REPRESENTATIVES IN GENERAL COURT.

Edward W. Hunt, Republican	441
Charles C. Mellen, Republican	466
John B. Whelan, Democratic	359
Blanks	494
Total	1760

COUNTY COMMISSIONER.

Charles C. Sanderson, Democratic	242
Edwin D. Wadsworth, Republican	518
Blanks	120
Total	880

The returns were then signed and sealed, the ballots sealed according to law and delivered to the Town Clerk, and the check lists delivered to the proper officer.

Voted that the meeting adjourn.

A true record. Attest:

H. A. MONK,

Town Clerk.

BRAINTREE, November 17, 1899.

The Town Clerks of Braintree and Weymouth met at the Town House in Braintree at 12 o'clock noon and opened the returns for Representatives in the General Court for district number six, County of Norfolk and found the whole number

of ballots were twenty-seven hundred and eighty-six [2,786] and were for the following persons, viz:

Edward W. Hunt of Weymouth	1,514
Charles C. Mellen of Braintree	1,225
John B. Whelan of Weymouth	1,378
Blanks	1,455

Edward W. Hunt and John B. Whelan were declared elected and the necessary certificates were signed by

HENRY A. MONK,
Town Clerk of Braintree.

JOHN A. RAYMOND,
Town Clerk of Weymouth.

H. A. Monk in account with Norfolk County as collector of Dog Tax in the town of Braintree for the year 1899.

Dr.

Received for licenses on 331 dogs . .	$758 00

Cr.

1899.		
Apr. 25, Cash paid for blanks . .	$4 00	
June 5, making return to Norfolk County treasurer . . .	1 20	
Dec. 5, making return to Norfolk County treasurer	1 20	
June 5, Cash paid treasurer . . .	192 20	
Dec. 5, Cash paid treasurer . . .	493 20	
Dec. 5, Charges for fees on [331] licenses, 20c	66 20	
		$758 00

Examined and vouchers furnished for the account dog licenses 1899.

Braintree, Dec. 26, 1899.

[Signed] DANIEL POTTER,
Auditor.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

ORGANIZATION.

Board of Water Commissioners.

HON. JAMES T. STEVENS, Chairman.

T. HAVEN DEARING, M. D. JOHN KELLY.

Superintendent.

WILLIAM E. MAYBURY.

Treasurer.

BENJAMIN F. DYER.

Secretary and Collector.

HENRY A. MONK.

Engineer.

JOHN W. MULCAHEY.

For the year ending December 31st. 1899.

The Water Commissioners respectfully present their annual report of the condition of the Department under their supervision.

At the Annual Town Meeting in March, Mr. John Kelley was elected a member of the Board to serve for the term of three years.

APPROPRIATIONS.

The appropriations for the year were as follows: for hydrant service $4,175 ; for Water Loan Sinking Funds, $5,120.

REVENUE.

The revenue of the Department shows an increase over the

year 1898 of about $1,000. The total revenue for 1898 for water, pipes, etc. being $17,689.11 and for 1899 $18,641.32.

EXTENSIONS.

Quite a large number of extensions have been made during the year all of which were very much needed and will eventually return a substantial revenue to the Town on the amount expended. Owing to the extraordinary rise in the price of all materials the extensions of mains and service work have been much more expensive than formerly. The Board have insisted on a guarantee from property owners on lines of extensions of 5% on cost of same and no extensions have been made without the signing of an agreement to that effect.

THE DROUTH.

The extraordinary drouth of the past season seriously taxed the capacity of the plant and during the last part of the season the Commissioners felt obliged to restrict the use of hose and ask consumers to be economical in the use of water. We are pleased to say that in most cases the order was very cheerfully complied with.

FUTURE SUPPLY.

The experience of the past year has led us to believe that the town cannot too soon consider the matter of its future water supply; the number of new services put in this year indicates that the town is making quite a rapid growth; the amount of water used for business purposes has also largely increased. For this reason we recommend that the town, at its annual meeting in March, appoint a committee to act with the Water Board in considering the necessity, there resources, methods and cost for an additional supply of water for all town purposes, and report their joint conclusions at some future meeting.

PUMPING STATION.

The machinery at the pumping station has been remodelled during the year at considerable expense. The scarcity of water made this expenditure necessary in order to pump the water economically and secure the full benefit of the supply.

REPAIRS.

The ordinary repairs upon the main pipes, hydrants, and gates have fortunately been very small this year but the natural result of age must be anticipated and future repairs will inevitably be larger.

COLLECTIONS.

The situation in regard to collections has been somewhat improved as can be seen by the report of the collector. We have tried to avoid using extreme measures but have been compelled too in some cases.

SUPERINTENDENT.

We still continue to employ Mr. William E. Maybury as Superintendent; he has satisfactorily and faithfully performed all the arduous duties of that position and we take pleasure in giving him our hearty approval.

SINKING FUNDS.

The following investments of Sinking Funds have been made during the year;

For the Loan of 1891. One note of the Town of Braintree for ($1000) one thousand dollars bearing interest at 3½% per annum, maturing Sept. 1, 1904.

One note of the Town of Braintree for $2,000, bearing interest at 3½ % per annum, maturing Sept. 1, 1908.

For the Loan of 1887: One note of the Town of Braintree for ($2,500) twenty-five hundred dollars bearing interest at the rate of 3½% per annum, maturing Sept. 1, 1909.

One note of the Town of Braintree for ($3,400) thirty-four hundred dollars, bearing interest at the rate of 3½% per annum, maturing Sept. 1, 1909.

For detailed statements of the mechanical and financial operations of the Department we refer you to the Superintendent's, Treasurer's and Collector's reports herewith submitted.

JAMES T. STEVENS,
T. HAVEN DEARING,
JOHN KELLY,
Water Commissioners of Braintree

FINANCIAL.

MAINTENANCE.

Pay of men as per pay rolls . . .	$377 89	
William May, labor	11 25	
Perry's express	2 05	
Brown's express	29 12	
D. H. B. Thayer, expressing . . .	36 94	
H. A. Monk, collecting water rates .	330 00	
H. A. Monk, service as secretary, 1898	25 00	
H. A. Monk, extra work on water register	90 00	
Elmer H. Vinton, labor	2 75	
Timothy Lynch, labor	5 00	
N. Y. & Boston Despatch Express Co. .	9 85	
Security Safe Deposit Co., box rent .	20 00	
Geo. E. Fogg, labor	3 50	
H. H. Thayer, labor	54 35	
C. G. Anderson, labor	8 30	
C. H. Hobart, supplies	4 13	
W. A. Torrey, postage etc. . . .	76 50	
Pratt & Pratt, printing . . .	13 50	
Aaron R. Gay & Co., books . . .	13 38	
Daniel Potter, clerical work . .	30 00	
M. R. Warren & Co., books . . .	4 00	
Thomas Groom & Co., books . . .	7 50	
Weymouth & Braintree Publishing Co.	27 75	
Geo. Prescott & Son	4 75	
H. W. Mansfield, supplies . . .	62 00	
H. W. Borden, labor	30 85	
Thomas South Jr.	13 75	
H. B. Whitman, supplies . . .	3 40	
T. J. Cain, supplies	49 01	
		$1,346 52

TOOLS, ETC.

William H. Cobb	88 57
W. I. Jordan	17 30
Miss F. L. Randall	1 00
Andrew A. Magnus	9 80
William G. Spear	5 00
Pinel Bros.	67 53
C. N. Jenness	2 00
A. J. Wilkinson	3 96

Dodge, Haley & Co.	17 00	
H. W. Borden	6 57	
T. B. Stoddard	9 25	
B. Johnson	1 02	
Edson Mfg. Co.	2 14	
Perrin, Seaman & Co.	5 90	
Star Pipe Jointer Co.	5 00	
Walworth Mfg. Co.	3 25	
Alexander Clark	1 18	
A. C. Drinkwater	1 80	
		$248 27

STREET WORK ON SERVICES.

Pay of men as per pay rolls	$330 16	
F. A. Bates, labor	39 63	
The M. Mueller Mfg. Co., supplies	176 89	
Walworth Mfg. Co., supplies	190 24	
Thomas Hoey, supplies	27 38	
Chadwick Lead Works, supplies	275 64	
Chapman Valve Co., supplies	2 51	
Coffin Valve Co., supplies	5 25	
J. E. Ludden, labor	5 30	
Sumner & Goodwin, supplies	5 68	
		$1,058 68

SERVICES INSIDE STREET LINES.

Pay of men as per pay rolls	593 95	
Thomas Hoey, supplies	151 19	
Chadwick Lead Works, supplies	191 02	
Peck Bros., supplies	28 50	
The Geo. Woodman Co., supplies	99 81	
B. H. Woodsum Co., supplies	13 93	
Chapman Valve Co., supplies	53 50	
M. Mueller Mfg. Co., supplies	66 00	
Walworth Mfg. Co. supplies	43 44	
Fore River Engine Co., supplies	1 91	
G. C. Whorf, supplies	3 75	
A. C. Drinkwater, supplies	2 10	
F. A. Bates, labor,	21 43	
E. G. McGill, supplies	1 25	
		$1,271 78

IMPROVING PUMPING PLANT.

Pay of men as per pay rolls	97 12	
Garret Ford Co., supplies	19 43	
Walworth Mfg. Co., supplies	37 84	

Coffin Valve Co., supplies . . .	16 47	
Chapman Valve Co., supplies . .	66 10	
Davis & Farnum Mfg. Co., supplies .	31 98	
F. O. Whitmarsh, labor . . .	42 39	
George E. Fogg, labor	4 50	
		$315 83

IMPROVEMENT OF WATER SUPPLY.

Pay of men as per pay rolls . . .	$376 70½	
George E. Sampson, labor . . .	23 35	
Thomas Huston, labor	17 50	
		$417 55½

MAIN PIPE EXTENSIONS.

Pay of men as per pay rolls . . .	$2,972 31	
Quincy Water Dept., supplies . .	14 79	
Cornell, Underhill & Boyd, supplies .	4,873 80	
Chadwick Lead Works, supplies . .	344 50	
Citizens' Gas Light Co., supplies . .	12 25	
Eagle Oil & Supply Co., supplies . .	12 61	
Coffin Valve Co., supplies . . .	311 50	
Oriental Powder Mills, supplies . .	118 98	
Robert Gibson, supplies . . .	5 00	
Elmer H. Vinton, labor . . .	159 38	
Thomas F. Finnegan, labor . . .	57 72	
Peter Ness, labor	7 05	
W. I. Jordan, labor	22 24	
		$8,982 13

PUMPING STATION.

Pay of men as per pay rolls . . .	$133 47½	
Pay of Day Engineer, per pay rolls .	900 00	
Pay of Night Engineer, per pay rolls .	525 37½	
American Steam Guage Co., supplies .	8 50	
Town of Braintree, electric light . .	79 56	
Eagle Oil & Supply Co., supplies . .	65 88	
H. M. White, supplies	18 57	
J. F. Sheppard & Sons, coal . . .	1,430 65	
S. F. Brown, supplies	15 98	
A. W. Chesterton, supplies . . .	48 88	
S. C. Nightingale & Childs, supplies .	38 65	
Dean Steam Pump Co.	23 01	
A. W. Harris Oil Co., supplies, . .	47 00	
C. A. Claflin & Co., supplies . .	4 73	

E. Hodge & Co., supplies . . .	23 36	
Walworth Mfg. Co., supplies . .	75 22	
Victor Metals & Foundry Co., supplies	50	
J. B. Rhines & Co., supplies . . .	14 54	
The Geo. F. Blake Mfg. Co., supplies .	87 45	
Thomas Hoey, supplies	54 15	
H. W. Borden, labor	24 64	
		$3,620 12

OFFICE ACCOUNT.

H. H. Snow, safe	$100 00	
Victor Metals & Foundry Co., fixtures .	2 89	
Fore River Engine Co., fixtures . .	14	
H. W. Borden, labor	4 93	
Cash for sundries as per pay roll . .	2 20	
		$110 16

HYDRANT AND GATE REPAIRS.

Pay of men as per pay rolls . . .	$51 76½	
Coffin Valve Co., supplies . . .	20 94	
Eagle Oil and Supply Co., supplies .	9 00	
		$81 70½

SERVICE REPAIRS.

Pay of men as per pay roll . . .	$33 36	$33 36

MAIN PIPE REPAIRS.

Pay of men men as per pay rolls . .	40 87	$40 87

SUPERINTENDENT'S SALARY AND EXPENSES.

William E. Maybury, salary . . .	$1,125 00	
William E. Maybury, expenses . .	14 35	
		$1,139 35
		$18,666 33

GENERAL SUMMARY.

Maintenance	$1,346 52
Tools etc.	248 27
Street work on services	1,058 68
Services inside street lines . . .	1,271 78
Improving pumping plant . . .	315 83
Improvement of water supply . .	417 55½
Main pipe extensions	8,982 13

Pumping station	3,620 12	
Office account	110 16	
Hydrant and gate repairs . . .	81 70½	
Service repairs	33 36	
Main pipe repairs	40 87	
Superintendent's salary and expenses .	1,139 35	
		$18,666 33

We have on hand pipes and other material to the value of $762.73 which was bought for the extension of mains. This amount credited to that account would make the actual cost of main pipe extensions $8,218.40.

REPORT OF COLLECTIONS.

From Jan. 1st. 1899 to Jan. 1st. 1900. H. A. Monk, Collector.

The collector is charged as follows :

Water rates	$17,134 15	
Pipes, etc., ...	1,507 17	
Water rates uncollected Jan 1, 1899 .	2,680 83	
Pipes, etc. uncollected Jan 1, 1899 .	648 17	
		$21,970 32

The collector is credited as follows :

Water rates uncollected . . .	1,535 93	
Pipes, etc., uncollected . . .	569 66	
Abatements	923 76	
Amount collected and paid Treasurer .	18,940 97	
		$21,970 32

Examined the Water Register and all the books, including Cash Book, Meter and Service accounts of W. E. Maybury Superintendent, from Jan. 1, 1899 to December 30th inclusive and find correct, also receipts from Treasurer of Water Dept. to Henry A. Monk, Collector for ($18,940.97) eighteen thousand nine hundred forty and $\frac{97}{100}$ dollars cash paid on said accounts as reported.

(Signed) DANIEL POTTER,

Auditor.

Braintree, January 24, 1900.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

To the Honorable Board of Water Cammissioners of the Town of Braiutree:

GENTLEMEN :—The superintendent of the Water Department respectfully submits his annual report for the year ending Dec. 31st, 1899.

Eighty-five new service pipes were laid during the year.

Kind of pipe, size and number of feet laid as follows:

$\frac{5}{8}$ inch lead pipe	2,173 feet	
$\frac{3}{4}$ inch lead pipe	22 feet	
1 inch lead pipe	68 feet	9 inches
$\frac{3}{4}$ inch galvanized iron pipe	2,429 feet	3 inches
	4,693 feet	0 inches

Total service pipes in system Dec. 31, 1899, 77,774 feet 3 inches=14×miles.

Total number service connections 1168

There have been eight old service connections taken out during the past season and renewed by lead pipe, this pipe amounting to 327 feet 2 inches.

EXTENSION OF MAINS DURING 1899.

One inch galvanized iron pipe in Monatiquot avenue west from Oak street 369 ft.

This pipe was put in at the expense of Mr. Wilbur Hatch.

Two inch galvanized iron pipe in Elm terrace running south from Elm street to dead end 218 feet.

Two inch galvanized iron pipe Oak avenue running north from dead end to dead end 213 feet.

Six inch pipe in Liberty street running south from Stetson to dead end 3570 ft.

Six inch pipe in Cedar street running south from School street to dead end 291 ft.

Six inch pipe in Commercial street running north west from dead end to dead end 276 feet.

Six inch pipe in Granite street running southwest from West street to dead end 329 feet.

Six inch pipe in Pond street running southwest from dead end to dead end 958 feet.

Six inch pipe in Safford street running north from Summer street to dead end 301 feet.

Six inch pipe in Hollis avenue running west from Oak street to dead end 757 feet.

Six inch pipe in Monatiquot avenue running east from Ash street to dead end 87 feet.

Six inch pipe in Bellevue road running northeast from Stetson street to dead end 931 feet.

Six inch pipe in Hayward street running east from dead end to dead end 778 feet.

Six inch pipe in Academy street running west from dead end to dead end 171 feet.

Six inch pipe in West street running west from pipe leading to stand pipe to dead end 326 feet.

Six inch pipe in Highland avenue running southeast from dead end to dead end 75 feet.

HYDRANT BRANCHES.

Six inch pipe in hydrant branches 65 feet.

BLOW-OFF PIPES.

¾ inch blow-off at end of pipe in gutter west line of Safford street.

¾ inch blow-off at end of pipe in gutter on south line of Academy street at Service No. 1134.

The department has met with considerable ledge work during the extension of main pipes this season.

EXTENSION OF MAIN DURING 1899 AS FOLLOWS,

1 inch main pipe	369 feet
2 inch main pipe	431 feet
6 inch main pipe	9,450 feet
6 inch hydrant branches . . .	65 feet

DISTRIBUTION MAIN IN OPPERATION DEC. 31st 1899.

12 inch pipe	5,705 feet	6 inches
10 inch pipe	10,407 feet	10 inches
8 inch pipe	10,467 feet	0 inches
6 inch pipe	90,771 feet	6 inches
4 inch pipe	11,211 feet	0 inches
2 inch pipe	4,875 feet	11 inches
1¼ inch pipe	287 feet	7 inches
1 inch pipe	1,528 feet	3 inches
¾ inch pipe	224 feet	2 inches
Total	135,478 ft.	9 in

=25.65+ miles.

NUMBER, LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION OF VALVES SET IN EXTENTION DURING 1899.

W. E. Maybury, Supt.

Valve No.	Street.	Location, Position.	Valve Size.		
			1''	2''	6''
208	Monatq't av.	On west line of Oak st.	1		
209	Elm Terrace	On south line of Elm st.		1	
210	Liberty st.	On south line of Stetson st.			1
211	Liberty st.	12 feet south of Hydrant No. 17			1
212	Cedar st.	On south line of School st.			1
213	Granite st.	On south line of West st.			1
214	Safford st.	On north line of Summer st.			1
215	Hollis ave.	On west line of Oak st.			1
216	Bellevue r'd	On north line of Stetson st.			1
217	Hayward st.	12 feet east of Hydrant No. 160			1
218	West st.	On branch leading to Stand pipe			1
219	Washing'n st	In Hydrant branch 2 feet off same Hydrant No. 9			1
220	Allen st.	At east corner of Braintree & Weymouth Power house			1
Total valves set, 1899			1	1	11

CONSTRUCTION.

Turn to Open.	Bell or Spigot.	Maker.
Left.	Bell.	Rensselaer Mfg Company.
Left.	Thread +	Chapman Company.

NUMBER, LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION OF HYDRANTS SET, EXTENSIONS OF 1899.

Hydrant Nos.	Street.	Location, Position.	No. Nozzle. 2 Hose. 1 Steamer.	Length of Connection.
175	Liberty st.	662 ft. south of south line of Stetson st.	1	4 ft.
176	Liberty st.	1115 ft. south of hydrant, No. 175.	1	9 ft. 6"
177	Liberty st.	995 ft. south of hydrant, No. 176.	1	3 ft.
178	Liberty st.	785 ft. south of hydrant, No. 177.	1	6 ft. 6"
158	Commercial st	273 ft. northwest from residence of Mrs. J. White.	1	6 ft.
179	Pond st.	958 ft. south of hydrant, No. 171.	1	8 ft.
180	Hollis ave.	757 ft. west of west line of Oak st.	1	8 ft.
181	Bellevue rd.	931 ft. north of north line of Stetson st.	1	6 ft.
182	Hayward st.	778 ft. east of hydrant, No. 160.	1	5 ft.
183	West st.	326 ft. west of driveway to stand pipe.	1	9 ft.
		Total Hydrants set 1899,	10	

Hydrant No. 158 was transferred from old locatin to present one.

CONSTRUCTION.

Turn to Open.	Bolted or Bell.	Frost Case.	Maker.
Left.	Bolted.	No.	Coffin Valve Co. (Imp.)

Total number of valves in operation Dec. 31, 1899 : 220
Total number of hydrants in operation Dec. 31, 1899 : 183.

PUMPING RECORD FROM JANUARY 1, 1899 TO JANUARY 1, 1900.

	Gals Pumped	Hrs Pumping	Lbs. of coal	Gal p'd p 100 lbs of coal	Gallons Daily Average
January,	11,934,781	329hr 20m	50,722	23,529	384,993
February,	11,881,303	426hr 45m	52,388	22,679	424,322
March,	12,241,231	341hr 45m	51,769	23,645	394,878
April,	11,409,899	294hr 40m	47,178	24,184	380,329
May,	13,211,449	391hr 05m	55,260	23,908	426,175
June,	16,452,713	627hr 40m	70,725	23,263	548,422
July,	16,708,138	649hr 55m	69,794	23,939	538,972
August,	14,675,157	616hr 50m	68,838	21,318	473,392
September,	14,837,198	651hr 20m	64,868	22,872	481,239
October,	13,953,789	611hr 15m	64,206	21,732	450,122
November,	13,274,963	603hr 10m	64,285	20,650	442,498
December,	14,460,939	614hr 20m	66,906	21,614	466,482
Totals,	165,041,560	6188hr 05m	726,939		
Daily Average,	452,168	16hr 57m	1991		

Largest day's pumping was June 2,—763,682 gallons.
Smallest day's pumping was March 8,—245,105 gallons.

HYDRANT LOCATIONS CHANGED.

Hydrant on Commercial street opposite Mr. John Kelly's, moved west to a point opposite Shaw street.

Hydrant at Weymouth line moved out to curb line on account of widening of the sidewalk.

Hydrant at Jonas Perkins school moved into curb on account of widening street.

Hydrant No. 158, formerly in front of Mrs. J. White's residence Commercial street, has been moved northwest 273 feet.

PUMPS.

The pumps are all in first class condition ; pipe, valves, gauges, etc. are also in good condition.

BOILERS.

The boilers are in first class condition; piping and fittings of same are in good condition.

IMPROVEMENTS.

The Department has cleaned out the artificial pond, the past season, also the end of Little pond near Franklin street, the willow trees and the under brush have been removed, the shore of the pond has been scraped off and all the filth has been removed. There has been a wall built in the rear of the pumping station to protect shore of the pond at this point. It is the desire of the Water Board to improve the shore of the Pond and the water shed of same as much as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

W. E. MAYBURY,

Superintendent.

BENJ. F. DYER, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS, TOWN OF BRAINTREE.

JANUARY 1, 1899, to DEC. 30, 1899, INCLUSIVE.

	Dr.	*Cr.*
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1899 . .	$5,699 56	
Received from Henry A. Monk, collector	18,940 97	
Received from State National Bank interest	99 00	
Received from Town for hydrants .	4,175 00	
Received from Town Treasuser return of temporary transfer . . .	5,000 00	
Paid interest on $250,000 bonds . .		$10,000 00
Paid interest on $6,000, notes . .		240 00
Paid Town Treasurer 1 order temporary transfer		5,000 00
Paid 192 orders drawn by Commissioners		18,666 33
Dec. 30, 1899, balance on hand . .		8 20
	$33,914 53	$33,914 53

Examined the accounts of Benj. F. Dyer, Treasurer Water Department from January 1st 1899 to December 30 1899—inclusive and the balance of ($8.20) eight and dollars on deposit in State National Bank, Boston and cash on hand.

DANIEL POTTER,
Auditor.

BRAINTREE, January 12, 1900.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THAYER PUBLIC LIBRARY.

The accompanying reports of the Librarian and the Treasurer of the Board furnish the usual information connected with those departments.

During the past year we have been called to mourn the death of our Secretary, Mr. E. Watson Arnold. Mr. Arnold was very faithful in all his duties, and took an active interest in everything appertaining to the welfare of the library. His loss will be deeply felt.

ASA FRENCH,
F. A. HOBART,
N. H. HUNT,
HENRY A. JOHNSON,
Trustees.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

Number of days the Library was open		298
Number of volumes borrowed, of this number 26224 were for home use and 2949 for use in the library.		29173
Average daily issue,		97
Largest daily issue, Jan. 18,	301	
Smallest daily issue, July 20,	10	

The number of volumes circulated of each class is as follows:

History	896	Fiction	17495
Biography	484	Poetry	396
Travel	622	Juvenile	4192
Science and Art	840	Miscellaneous	792
Literature	507	Reference	2949

Number of volumes added,	508
Number of pamphlets, papers, etc.,	329
Names registered during the year,	194
Total number registered,	5963
Number of volumes in the Library (approximately)	12793

A. M. ARNOLD, Librarian.

GIFTS TO THE LIBRARY, 1899.

	Volumes	Pamphlets
Arnold, Franklin E.	2	
Atkinson, Edward, Brookline, Mass.		4
Bates, Frank Amasa	1	1
Boston City Hospital,	1	
Christian Science Publishing Co.,		1
Chase, Walter G., Boston, Mass.,	1	
Ellis, W. F.	1	
Fall River Public Library,		1
Fogg Library, South Weymouth, Mass.,		1
Forbes Library, Northampton, Mass.,		1
Hartford Public Library, Conn.,		5
Hollis, Mrs. C. W. and W. C. Holbrook, "Christian Science Journal," 1899.		
Hollis, Mrs. C. W. Two Christian Science Journals, 1899.		
Hill, W. S., San Francisco, Cal.,		1
Home Market Club, The "Protectionist" 1899		12
Institute of Technology, Boston, Mass.,		3
Ipswich Historical Society, Ipswich, Mass.	1	
Lexington Historical Society, Lexington, Mass.		1
Loring, Benjamin J., Reports, 1881-1898.,		
Lovering, Hon. William C., Taunton, Mass.,	16	
Lowell Textile School, Lowell, Mass.		1
Lummis, Charles F., Los Angeles, Cal.		12
Mason, C. A., Cambridge, Mass.,		1
Massachusetts Volunteer Aid Association,	1	
Melville, Commodore George W.		1
Metropolitan Water Board, Boston. Mass.,	1	
Montauk Club, Brooklyn, N. Y.,		1
Penniman, Mrs. Edwin	5	
Pitkin, Carolyn W., miscellaneous writings		48
Pennsylvania Prison Society,		1
Putnam, G. P. and Sons, N. Y.,		1
Smiley, Albert K., Montauk Lake, N. Y.		1
State and National publications,	53	100
Syracuse Central Library, N. Y.,		2
Taylor, C. F. Philadelphia,		1
Thayer, Misses Susanna and Sarah,	1	
Thayer, Rev. G. A., Cincinnati, Ohio,		2
Tufts Library, Weymouth, Mass.,		2

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Receipts.

Cash in Braintree Savings Bank . .	$212 44
Received of Town treasurer, town appropriation	1,000 00
Received of town treasurer, interest on note	362 50
Received of town treasurer, interest on A. W. Stetson fund . . .	50 00
Received of Librarian, fines . . .	38 57
Received of Librarian, catalogues, .	1 75
Received of Braintree Savings bank, interest	1 28
	$1,666 54

Expenditures.

Paid Abbie M. Arnold, librarian . .	$500 00
Abbie M. Arnold, assistant . .	150 00
Charles E. Lauriat Co., books .	407 87
F. J. Barnard & Co., binding books	47 36
W. H. Guild & Co., magazines .	41 10
Home Science Pub. Co., magazine	1 00
Charles E. Nye & Co., printing .	16 00
Geo. W. Prescott & Son, Braintree Observer, printing and ad . .	20 00
F. J. Barnard & Co., record book .	4 50
J. F. Sheppard & Sons, coal . .	172 65
C. H. Hobart, insurance . . .	139 00
Abbie M. Arnold, incidentals .	7 26
W. A. Torrey, stationery . .	3 35
H. W. Borden, repairs . . .	2 50
Pratt & Pratt, advertising . .	1 00
New York & Boston Ex. Co., expressage , ...	50
Postage	65
Town of Braintree, water . .	5 50
Town of Braintree, electric lights .	67 50
Town of Braintree, kindlings . .	11 40
Paid Woodsum's Ex. Co., express	3 80
	$1,602 94
Cash on hand	63 60
	$1,666 54

N. H. HUNT, *Treasurer.*

Braintree, January 19, 1900.

Adjusted the above account balance as reported.

DANIEL POTTER, *Auditor.*

JURY LIST.

As prepared by the Selectman Feb. 14, 1900.

NAME.	OCCUPATION.
Arnold, Franklin E.	farmer.
Abercrombie, Elmer E.	retired.
Arnold, George A.	farmer.
Arnold, J. Marcus	grocer.
Bayley, James H.	bookkeeper.
Bates, Andrew J.	bank officer.
Bates, Frank Albert	plumber.
Bates, Charles S.	salesman.
Bates, Louis F.	plumber.
Belcher, Robert E.	student.
Barbour, John	manufacturer.
Bowditch, Alden	salesman.
Borden, Herbert W.	contractor.
Connell, James	farmer.
Crooker, Francis W.	manufacturer.
Clapp, Charles H.	salesman.
Currier, William H.	machinist.
Cain, Daniel E.	machinist.
Dow, Willard E.	electrician.
Doane, Henry W.	salesman.
Drinkwater, Horace R.	manufacturer.
Ellsworth, George G.	salesman.
French, George A.	farmer.
Fuller, George F.	salesman.
Gallivan, Jeremiah F.	shoe cutter.
Gage, R. Allen.	contractor.
Gore, Henry W.	bookkeeper.
Gammon, I. Wendall	reporter.
Green, Worth A.	clerk.
Hobart, Edward W.	farmer.
Hobart, Arthur L.	electrician.
Hale, Edward A.	railroad employe.
Hayward, J. Parker	town officer.
Hayward, J. Francis	florist.
Harrison, William C.	draftsman.

Howland, Walter H.	salesman.
Holbrook, Carroll A.	clerk.
Jordan, Charles G.	grain dealer.
Jones, Horace A.	machine operator.
Jackson, Francis W.	shoe worker.
Knight, Bradford Y.	carpenter.
Kelley, Hiram H.	manufacturer.
King, James H.	shoe worker.
Lovett, James R.	farmer.
Matthewson, Emor H.	shoe worker.
Mansfield, Henry W.	grocer.
Monk, Henry A.	town clerk.
Morrison, Alva S.	manufacturer.
McRae, Augustus	carpenter.
McNabb, James jr.	farmer.
Pierson, Edward O.	railroad employe.
Porter, Elbridge F.	salesman.
Pennock, Gilbert V.	clerk.
Richards, Charles G.	clerk.
Rogers, Orville M.	plumber.
Robery, John P.	farmer.
Reed, Frank A.	clerk.
Sampson, Josephus	farmer.
Sampson, George E.	contractor.
Shaw, Will H	salesman.
Shaw, Martin V. B.	manufacturer.
Southworth, Alfred	agent.
Sheppard, Charles G.	coal dealer.
Stevens, George W.	bookkeeper.
Sullivan, Edward J.	grocer.
Sprague, Charles H.	manufacturer.
Tupper, Foster F.	carpenter.
Tuttle, G. Henry	engineer.
Thayer, Frank D.	retired.
Torrey, N. Gleason,	clerk.
Tilden, Sidney A.	engineer.
White, Jonathan F.	bookkeeper.
Whitcomb, Charles G.	jeweller.
White, Hartley L.	civil engineer.
Woodsum, Rufus H.	nail maker.
Whitman, Henry B.	harness maker.

ANSEL O. CLARK,
WM. W. MAYHEW,
J. P. HAYWARD,
} Selectmen of Braintree.

WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING.

NORFOLK, SS. *To either of the Constables of the Town of Braintree*: GREETING: —

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusatts you are hereby required to notlfy and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Braintree qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in said Braintree, on Monday, the fifth day of March, 1900, at seven o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, namely:

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To hear the report of the several town officers and act thereon.

ART. 3. To determiue the manner of repairing the highways, sidewalks and bridges the ensuing year.

ART. 4. To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year. Also to vote Yes or No on the following question, namely: Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town? Under this article the polls will be kept open until one o'clock, P. M.

ART. 5. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of a majority of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of taxes and issue notes of the Town therefor.

ART. 6. To raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the expenses of the town for the ensuing year.

ART. 7. To see if the town will accept the Jury List as prepared by the Selectmen.

ART. 8. To see if the town will vote to charge interest on all unpaid taxes after a certain date.

ART. 9. To see if the town will vote an appropriation to

Post 87, G. A. R., to assist in defraying the expenses of Memorial Services on Memorial Day.

Art. 10. To see what compensation the town will vote the members of the Fire Department the ensuing year.

Art. 11. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money for repairs of apparatus and for general expenses of the Fire Department, and for the purchase of new hose.

Art. 12. To see if the town will vote to purchase a new ladder truck for the East section of the Town, and appropriate money for the same.

Art. 13. To see if the town will vote to place a fire alarm box at or near the junction of Elm and Commercial Streets, and make an appropriation for the same.

Art. 14. To elect a Fire Warden, as provided by Chapter 330 of the Acts of the Legislature of 1899, and make such appropriation for his services as the town may determine.

Art. 15. To see if the town will continue to pay for the bond of its treasurer.

Art. 16. To see if the town will vote an appropriation for hydrant service.

Art. 17. To appropriate a sum of money for the Water Loan Sinking Fund.

Art. 18. To appropriate a sum of money for the Electric Light Sinking Fund.

Art. 19. To appropriate a sum of money to convey pupils to and from the public schools.

Aru. 20. To see if the town will vote to continue its night police, and appropriate money for the same.

Art. 21. To make such appropriations as may be necessary to operate the electric lighting system.

Art. 22. To appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary for the payment of notes that become due in the year 1900.

Art. 23. To see if the town will authorize the exclusive use of the Young Odorless Excavating Pump and Apparatus for cleaning cesspools and vaults; provided some person acceptable to the Board of Health shall provide himself with necessary equipment and rights to use the same without expense to the town.

Art. 24. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money to pave the gutters on Hollis Avenue, Mount Vernon Avenue and West Street, or make a general appropriation for paving gutters.

Art. 25. To see if the town will choose a committee to revise the By-laws of the town, or to make a new code of by-laws.

Art. 26. To see if the town will choose a Board of Health, or take any action relating to the same.

Art. 27. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money to build a crushed stone road and place curb-stone in Holland Avenue.

Art. 28. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money to build drains in River Street.

Art. 29. To see if the town will accept tne laying out as a town way the road leading from Washington Street through land of A. S. Pennock & Sons to a point on Hancock street as made by the Selectmen, and appropriate money to grade the same.

Art. 30. To see if the town will accept the laying out as a town way of Bowditch Street, so called, as made by the Selectmen, and appropriate a sum of money to build the same.

Art. 31. To see if the town will accept the laying out of Safford Street, so called, also a portion of Morton Street and a portion of Forrest Street as town ways, as made by the Selectmen.

Art. 32. To see what action the town will take in relation to watering streets.

Art. 33. To see what action the town will take in relation to suppressing the sale ot intoxicating liquors.

Art. 34. To see if the town will elect a Board of Electric Light Commissicners, as provided by Section 10 of Chapter 454 of the Acts of the Legislature of 1893.

Art. 35. To see if the town will choose a separate Board of Assessors.

Art. 36. To choose any committee or hear the report of any committee and act thereon.

You are to give notice of this meeting by posting up true and attested copies of this warrant in not less than nine public

piaces in this town, seven days at least betore the time of said meeting, and by publishing the same once in the Braintree Bee.

Hereof faii not, and make return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk before the time of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Braintree this fourteenth day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred.

ANSEL O. CLARK,
WM. W. MAYHEW,
J. PARKER HAYWARD,
Selectmen of Braintree.

A true copy. Attest:

JAMES R. QUALEY,
Constable ef Braintree.

NORFOLK, SS. BRAINTREE, February 26, 1900.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant, I hereby notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Braintree, qnalified as therein expressed, to meet at the time and place for the purposes therein mentioned.

JAMES R. QUALEY,
Constable of Braintree.

TOWN OF BRAINTREE.

REPORTS

OF THE

School Committee

AND

Superintendent of Schools.

From January 1, 1899 to December 31, 1899.

BEE JOB PRINT:
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1900.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Thomas A. Watson, Quincy avenue, East Braintree. Term expires in 1900.

Mrs. A. M. Brooks, Franklin street, South Braintree. Term expires in 1901.

Albion C. Drinkwater, Elm street, Braintree. Term expires in 1901.

Mrs. Carrie F. Loring, Front street, East Braintree. Term expires in 1902.

William C. Harding, Hollis avenue, Braintree. Term expires in 1902.

C. F. Hill Crathern, Washington street, South Braintree. Term expires in 1900.

Chairman,—Thomas A. Watson.

Secretary and Superintendent of Schools,—Irivng W. Horne, Mt. Vernon avenue, Braintree.

Meetings of Committee.

Second Wednesday of each month at 4 o'clock p. m., at the Monatiquot building, Washington street, Braintree.

Office Hours of Superintendent.

MONATIQUOT BUILDING

Mondays, from 4 to 4.30 p. m.
Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 8.30 to 9 a. m.
Fridays, from 12 m. to 12.30 p. m.

Schools in Session.

1899, Sept. 5 to Dec. 22. 1900, Jan. 2 to March 30; April 9 to June 20; Sept. 4 to Dec. 21.

Holidays.

Saturdays, and, 1899, Nov. 30, Dec. 1; 1900, Feb. 22, April 19, May 30, Nov. 29, 30.

Daily School Sessions.

High, 8.15 A. M. to 1 P. M.
Jonas Perkins, 9 A. M. to 12 M., and 1.30 to 3.30 P. M.
Monatiquot, 8.45 to 11.30 A. M., and 1.15 to 3.30 P. M.
Pond and Union, 9 to 11.45 A. M., and 1.15 to 3.30 P. M.
Other schools, 9 to 11.45 A. M., and 1.15 to 3.15 P. M.

Storm Signal.

On very stormy days there will be no session of the Public Schools. This will be announced by 3-3-3 sounded on the fire alarm at 7.15 A. M.

On days when it is moderately stormy or bad walking, there will be no afternoon session. This will be announced by 3-3-3 sounded on the fire alarm at 11 A. M.

Janitors.

Monatiquot building. John H. Macandrew, West street, Braintree.

Jonas Perkins building. William Orr, Front street, East Braintree.

Pond building. John Whitty, Pearl street, South Braintree.

Union building. J. Franklin Bates, Washington street, Braintree.

Middle Street building. Francis H. Thayer, Middle street, Dana's Corner.

Southwest building. Willie P. Reed, Pond street, South Braintree.

Truant Officers.

John Gallivan, Braintree.
Horace F. Hunt, South Braintree.
Henry Dugan, Jr., East Braintree.

Tuition of Non-Resident Students.

High School. $1 a week; grades 5 to 8, 75 cents a week; grades A and 1 to 4, 50 cents a week.

Non-resident students will not be admitted to any school without the written permission of the Superintendent.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

February 14, 1900.

At a meeting of the School Committee held this date, it was voted to adopt the report of the Superintendent as the Committee's report of the town, and recommended the following appropriations:

For teachers, in addition to the dog tax and income of the school fund .	$16,570 00
For superintendent	1,400 00
Janitors, including cleaning and care of buildings during the summer vacation	1,908 00
Text books and supplies . . .	1,600 00
Incidentals for school	400 00
Schoolhouse improvements, repairs and incidentals	1,000 00
Fuel	1,200 00
Conveyance of pupils	825 00

THOMAS A. WATSON,
ANN M. BROOKS,
A. C. DRINKWATER,
CARRIE F. LORING,
WILLIAM C. HARDING,
C. F. HILL CRATHERN,

School Committee.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT.

Ladies and Gentlemen of the School Committee.

This is my eight annual report for the year ending January 1, 1899, and the fifteenth of the series of annual reports of the superintendents.

The expenditures for the support of schools during the past year have been as follows:

Teachers and superintendent . .		$17993 17	
Credit, cash from Thomas A. Watson to retain desirable teachers . . .		84 00	
			$17909 17
Appropriation, including estimate of $1100 from dog tax and school fund . .			17450 00
Overrun on teachers' salaries .			$459 17
Janitors			1808 00
Text books	$968 51		
Credits, sales to pupils and tution	167 45		
		$801 06	
Supplies		929 54	
			1730 60
School incidentals . . .	$584 17		
Credits, sales to pupils . .	8 58		
			575 59
Fuel			1122 82
Conveyance	$830 50		
Credits, sale of tickets to pupils	9 16		
			821 34
			$6058 35
Appropriation for janitors . .		$1808 00	
" text books and school supplies		1600 00	
" school incidentals . . .		400 00	
" fuel		1200 00	
" conveyance		750 00	
			5758 00
Overrun			$300 35

Schoolhouse incidentals	$584 17	
Credits	8 58	
		$575 58
Schoolhouse, repairs		1067 63
Schoolhouse, improvements . . .		1165 28
		$2808 50
Appropriation for schoolhouses . .		1000 00
Overrun		$1808 50

The following detailed charges against the schoolhouse account are reported:

Repair of sanitary system in basement of Monatiquot school	$769 96
Improving and equipping third floor of Monatiquot schoolhouse for use of High School . . .	538 69
Inspecting and cleaning closet vaults at Monatiquot, Union, Pond and Jonas Perkins schoolhouses,	47 50
Purchase of new desks, repair of old desks previously thrown aside, and setting up the same in schoolrooms	339 83
Water rates	133 00
Repair of hot water heating system in Monatiquot schoolhouse	74 14
Storm windows and storm porch for Monatiquot schoolhouse	140 33

The expenditures enumerated above show the small margin left for the incidental supplies and repairs of scoolhouses.

The improvement of the drainage and sanitaries in the basement of the Monatiquot schoolhouse was ordered by the state inspector of buildings so late in the summer vacation that the work was commenced in the greatest possible haste so as to have the building ready for use in September. The work was performed under the supervision of Mr. E. H. Weatherbee, engineer, directed by Joseph A. Moore, state inspector.

The cesspool was rebuilt and made deeper, all drainage pipes and vault floors were relaid, the closet vaults were rebottomed, new closet pans were supplied, earth was taken out and clean earth put in its place, and a new basement floor laid.

The increase in the number of pupils in the Monatiquot School from 375 to 435 made it necessary to provide extra room The equipment of the third floor of the Monatiquot Schoolhouse for the use of the High School seemed to be the most satisfac-

tory and economical temporary arrangement that could be devised. This plan permitted a sufficient number of pupils to be taken from the Union School to make the grading and classification in that school more satisfactory.

The hot water heating system in the Monatiquot School house had never done the work intended. The increase in the number of pupils and the extension of school work made it necessary to use the rooms to be warmed by the hot water system.

The heating plant was not designed to warm the rooms on the third floor of this schoolhouse for regular use. It seemed more economical to put on extra storm windows and a storm porch instead of increasing the heating plant.

The expense for additional desks and seats represents the demand for the increase of pupils, about 150.

It will readily be seen that an annual increase of nearly 100 pupils who must be supplied with a new set of books, etc., makes it very difficult to keep the expenditure for text books and supplies within what seems to be a reasonable limit, and yet our present expenditure is below tbe average for the state.

EXPENDITURES FOR FUEL IN 1899.

Monatiquot Building:		
Coal	$419 17	
Wood and kindlings	18 25	
		$437 42
Jonas Perkins Building:		
Coal	$246 50	
Wood and kindlings.	11 50	
		258 00
Pond Building:		
Coal	$190 00	
Wood and kindlings	19 30	
		209 30
Union Building:		
Coal	$139 43	
Wood and kindlings	18 70	
		158 13
Middle Street Building:		
Coal	$19 45	
Kindlings and wood	6 62	
		26 07

South West Building:		
Coal	$13 95	
Kindlings	3 00	
		16 95
Town House Kindergarten:		
Coal	$13 95	
Kindlings	3 00	16 95
Total expenditures		$1122 82

STATISTICS AND ACCOUNTS.

Population of town, 1899, estimated	6,500
Whole number of pupils enrolled for the year end- June 23, 1899	1,257
Whole number of pupils enrolled for the 4 months ending December 23, 1899	1,241
Whole number of pupils enrolled for the 4 months ending December 23, 1898	1,154
Average membership for the school year ending June 28, 1999	1,080.1
Average membership for 4 months ending December 22, 1899	1,168.7
Average membership for 4 months ending December 23, 1898	1,076.4
Year's increase	92.3
Percentage of average attendance for the school year ending June 24, 1898	91.7
Number of schools keeping separate registers	29
Number of female teachers	31
Number of male teachers	2
Number of special teachers	3
Monthly pay roll of teachers for December, 1899	$1,767 00
Monthly pay roll of teachers for December, 1898	1,613 50
Monthly pay roll of janitors for December, 1898	156 00
Average monthly wages of female teachers for the school year ending June 24, 1898	48.43
Average for the state, official report	51.41
Average monthly wages of male teachers for the school year ending June 24, 1898	$96 00
Average for the state official report	136 23

Number of schoolhouses in use during the school year ending June 24 1899 (26 class rooms and 1 room in Town Hall)	6
Number of schoolhouses not in use during the school year ending June 24, 1899 (3 class rooms) .	3
Number of pupils in private schools not enrolled in the public schools	59
Valuation of the town in May, 1899 . .	$496,450 00
Rate of taxation per thousand in 1899 . . .	20 40
Total appropriation to be assessed in 1898 . .	49,911 58
Appropriation assessed in 1899 for school purposes	24,208 00
Percentage for schools of total appropriation in 1899	25.5
Expenditure per pupil for all school purposes based upon the average membership, in 1899 . .	24 65
Expenditure per pupil for all school purposes except repairing and erecting schoolhouses .	22 59
Expenditure per pupil throughout the state per last state report for all purposes except repairing and erecting schoolhouses	25 63
Percentage of grammar school graduates in June 1899, who entered the High school in Sept. 1899	91.1

CENSUS, ENROLLMENT AND SCHOOL ATTENDANCE.

School Year Ending in June.	Census May 1, 5 and 15 Years.	For School Year Ending in June.	
		Enrollmment.	Average Membership.
1886	705	817	629
1887	693	802	624
1888	658	790	615
1889	723	884	701
1890	685	864	701
1891	785	894	700.5
1892	832	*	*697.3
1893	853	851	705.3
1894	892	976	786.6
1895	829	1,035	860.7
1896	849	1,124	919.2
1897	926	1,178	965.1
1898	953	1,213	1,024.3
1899		1,257	1,080.1

*No reliable statistics for this year have been discovered.

STATISTICS CONCERNING EXPENSE OF TEACHERS.

School year ending in June	Number of regular class Teachers.	Salaries of all Teachers	Average Membership.	Number of Pupils per Teacher.	Expense of Teachers per Pupil.
1886	20	$8,202.50	629.	31.5	$13.04
1887	20	8,127.50	623.9	31.2	13.00
1888	19	7,209.00	615.	30.7	11.70
1889	20	9,124.30	700.9	35.	13.00
1890	20	9,475.00	700.9	35.	13.50
1891	21	9,821.30	700.5	33.4	12.59
1892	22	10,884.00	697.3	31.7	15.61
1893	$23\frac{11}{20}$	13,117.52	705.3	28.7	18.60
1894	26	13,974.52	796.6	30.3	17.77
1895	27	14,032.50	860.7	31.9	16.30
1896	26	13,457.00	989.2	39.2	14.64
1897	27	13,261.00	965.1	35.7	13.74
1898	$28\frac{5}{8}$	14,411.50	1,024.3	35.8	14.07
1899	30	15,984.30	1,080.1	36.0	14.80

EXPENSES FOR SPECIAL DEPARTMENTS.

Financial Year.	Janitors.	Fuel.	School-houses Exclusive of new Buildings.	Water Rent.	Conveyance of Pupils
1886	$265 40	†	$564 76		
1887	477 75	†	461 60		
1888	471 90	†	512 26		
1889	431 00	†	1,183 75		
1890	450 50	†	869 11		$115 58
1891	552 50	$312 88	1,277 20	$24 15	214 54
1892	810 00	1,040 33	1,493 96	69 19	167 38
1893*	990 00	1,239 63	911 19	102 00	469 47
1894	1,175 11	1,432 12	1,001 77	108 16	1,020 95
1895	1,312 04	1,375 95	858 79	121 00	961 97
1896	1,424 07	1,234 45	1,038 31	123 00	795 50
1897	1,584 08	1,211 72	1,783 32	129 00	723 00
1898	1,758 02	1,195 31	1,163 87	133 00	758 00
1899	1,808 00	1,122 82	2,659 66	133 00	821 34

* 11 months. † No record made in school account books.

STATISTICS OF THE HIGH SCHOOL.

	Number of Teachers	Salaries of Teachers	Enrollment.	Average Membership.	Expense of Teachers per Pupil
1893	3	$2300 00	71	64.6	$35 60
1894	3	2432 50	89	79.1	30 74
1895	4	2875 00	108	96.8	29 70
1896	4	2765 00	109	95.7	28 89
1897	*5	2263 75	121	99.2	†22 82
1898	*5	2377 50	116	100.7	†23 60
1899	*5	3535 00	104	94.8	37 29

*Includes teacher of music; two lessons per week.

†Combination of superintendency and principalship: $600 of salary charged to the High School.

STATISTICS OF MONATIQUOT GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

GRADES 5-8.

School Year ending in June.	Number of Teachers.	Salaries of Teachers.	Enrollment.	Average Membership.	Expense of Teachers per pupil.
1893	5	$2890 00	212	178.7	$15 17
1894	5	2908 60	234	199.6	14 57
1895	5	2865 00	266	221.4	12 94
1896	5	2670 50	265	229.0	11 67
1897	5	2713 00	259	221.1	12 27
1898	6	2930 00	268	245.1	11 95
1899	6	3244 33	276	257.0	13 01

STATISTICS OF THE JONAS PERKINS SCHOOL.

GRADES A-8.

School Year ending in June.	Number of Teachers.	Salaries of Teachers.	Enrollment.	Average Membership.	Expense of Teachers per Pupil.
1895*	8	$3615 00	282	252.8	$14 33
1896	8	3755 00	300	256.8	14 62
1897	†9	3886 00	312	273.9	14 19
1898	†10	3920 00	326	288.2	13 60
1899	†10	4520 00	368	317.8	14 22

*School first organized.

†Includes an assistant in kindergarten.

STATISTICS OF THE POND PRIMARY SCHOOL.

GRADES A-4.

School Year ending in June.	Number of Teachers.	Salaries of Teachers.	Enrollment.	Average Membership.	Expense of Teachers per Pupil.
1893	4	$1650 00	139	99.2	$16 63
1894	5	2075 00	162	107.9	19 23
1895	5	2060 00	206	153.6	14 13
1896	5	2170 00	228	170.1	12 76
1897	5	2195 00	250	189.7	11 57
1898	5	2216 00	239	183.3	12 09
1899	*6	2404 30	241	197.7	12 16

*Includes an assistant in kindergarten.

STATISTICS OF THE UNION PRIMARY SCHOOL.

GRADES A-4.

School Year ending in June.	Number of Teachers.	Salaries of Teachers.	Enrollment.	Average Membership.	Expense of Teachers per Pupil.
1893	4	$1738 00	151	118.2	$15 55
1894	5	2050 00	179	141.5	14 49
1895	4	2155 00	173	135.9	15 86
1896	4	1650 00	222	136.2	12 11
1897	*5	1730 00	218	162.2	10 66
1898	*5	1825 00	217	168.	10 86
1899	*5	1989 50	223	177.4	11 21

*Includes an assistant in the kindergarten.

STATISTICS OF THE MIDDLE STREET SCHOOL.

GRADES 1 AND A.

School Year ending in June.	Number of Teachers.	Salaries of Teachers.	Enrollment.	Average Membership.	Expense of Teacher per Pupil.
1897	1	$400 00	17	15.8	$25 38
1898	1	400 00	23	18.3	21 86
1899	1	400 00	27	21.5	18 60

STATISTICS OF THE SOUTHWEST SCHOOL.

GRADES 1 AND A.

School Year ending in June.	Number of Teachers.	Salaries of Teachers.	Enrollment.	Average Membership.	Expense of Teacher per Pupil.
1898	1	$400 00	24	19.7	$20 30
1899	1	400 00	18	14.2	28 17

Report of pupils by grades and ages on May 1, 1899, in the public schools, based on the total enrollment for the school year ending June 23, 1899.

	Grades.	YEARS.																Males.	Females.	Toals.
		4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19			
Male	A	37	30	12	2													81		
Female	A	47	29	10	2	1													89	170
Male	1	4	12	43	29	8	1											97		
Female	1	4	19	29	22	5													79	176
Male	2			5	23	19	11	3	2	1								64		
Female	2			7	28	17	4	4	1										61	125
Male	3				7	20	19	12	7	3								68		
Female	3				6	20	20	8	3	2	1								60	128
Male	4					9	12	15	9	6	1	1						53		
Female	4					2	28	18	7	11									66	119
Male	5						4	15	16	10	8	3	1	1				58		
Female	5						3	21	17	7	4	3							55	113
Male	6							4	16	11	10	7	1	2				51		
Female	6					1	2	14	18	9	6	5		2					57	108
Male	7								9	11	10	17	7					54		
Female	7								5	21	13	7	1	1					48	102
Male	8								1	3	6	16	8	6	1			41		
Female	8									2	10	11	9	1	1	1			35	76
Male	9										5	14	10	4	1	1		35		
Female	9										4	8	4	1	1				18	53
Male	10											2	4	4	1			11		
Female	10											4	8	7	5	1	1		26	37
Male	11													4				4		
Female	11												1	6	2	1			10	14
Totals		92	90	106	119	102	104	114	111	97	78	98	54	39	12	4	1	617	604	1,221

YEARS.	GRADES.													Males.	Females.	Totals.
	A	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12			
4 Years Males	37	4												41		
4 " Females	47	4													51	92
5 " Males	30	12												42		
5 " Females	29	19													48	90
6 " Males	12	43	5											60		
6 " Females	10	29	7												46	106
7 " Males	2	29	23	7										61		
7 " Females	2	22	28	6											58	119
8 " Males		8	19	20	9									56		
8 " Females	1	5	17	20	2		1								46	102
9 " Males		1	11	19	12	4								47		
9 " Females			4	20	28	3	2								57	104
10 " Males			3	12	15	15	4							49		
10 " Females			4	8	18	21	14								65	114
11 " Males			2	7	9	16	16	9	1					60		
11 " Females			1	3	7	17	18	5							51	111
12 " Males			1	3	6	10	11	11	3					45		
12 " Females				2	11	7	9	21	2						52	97
13 " Males					1	8	10	10	6	5				40		
13 " Females				1		4	6	13	10	4					38	78
14 " Males					1	3	5	17	16	14	2			60		
14 " Females						3	7	7	11	8	4				38	98
15 " Males						1	1	7	8	10	4			31		
15 " Females								1	9	4	8	1			23	54
16 " Males						1	2		6	4	4	4		21		
16 " Females							2	1	1	1	7	6			18	39
17 " Males									1	1	1			3		
17 " Females									1	1	5	2			9	12
18 " Males										1				1		
18 " Females									1		1	1			3	4
19 " Males																
19 " Females											1				1	1
Totals	170	176	125	128	119	113	108	102	76	53	37	14		617	604	1,221

REPORT OF THE SOURCE AND DISPOSITION OF ALL PUPILS BY GRADES IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR ENDING JUNE 23, 1899.

No. of actual days of school plus legal holidays occurring in school time.	Grades. Highest at top.	Source of Pupils. No. retained from last year.	No. promoted from preceding grade in September.	No. enrolled as pupils for the first time.	No. from other towns.	No. transferred from other schools in town.	No. received by special promotion from lower grade.	No. received by special demotion from higher grade.	TOTAL.	Disposition of Pupils. No. returned to lower grade.	No. of special promotions to higher grade.	No. of withdrawals to other schools in town.	No. of withdrawals to other towns.	No. of withdrawals not otherwise designated.	No. not promoted at close of year.	No. promoted at close of year	TOTAL.
HIGH SCHOOL.																	
188	11		14						14							14	14
188	10	5	32						37					4	4	29	37
188	9	6	45		2				53				3	4	6	40	53
Totals		1	91		2				104				3	8	10	83	104
MONATIQUOT SCHOOL.																	
189	8	1	40		3				44				3	3		38	44
189	7		57		1	1			59				4	1	8	46	59
189	7		18		3		1		22				2	3	2	15	22
189	6	2	32		3				37				2	3	1	31	37
189	6		40		3				43		1		4		2	36	43
189	5		10		4				14				0		2	12	14
189	5	3	52		3				48				1	1		54	59
Totals		6	249		20	1	1		278		1		16	14	15	232	278
JONAS PERKINS SCHOOL.																	
191	8		29		2				31				1	5		25	31
191	7		17		5				22	3		1		2		16	22
191	6	1	23		3		1	3	31		1		4	3	3	20	31
191	5	5	37		4				48	2	1		2	1	1	41	48
191	4	3	33		5		2	2	43		2		2		4	35	43
191	3	5	49		1				55	3			5	1	7	39	55
191	2		35		6	2	1	3	47				3	2	5	37	47
191	1	7	37		4	1	1		50		1		1	3	8	37	50
191	A	10		42	2				54		1		3		8	42	54
Totals		31	260	42	32	3	5	8	381	8	6	1	21	17	36	292	381

No. of actual days of school plus legal holidays occurring in school time.	Grades. Highest at top.	Source of Pupils. No. retained from last year.	No. promoted from preceeding grade in September.	No. enrolled as pupils for the first time.	No. from other towns.	No. transferred from other schools in town.	No. received by special promotion from lower grade.	No. received by special demotion from higher grade.	TOTAL.	Disposition of Pupils. No. returned to lower grade.	No. of special promotions to higher grade.	No. of withdrawals to other schools in town.	No. of withdrawals to other towns.	No. of withdrawals not otherwise designated.	No. not promoted at close of year.	No. promoted at close of year	TOTAL.
POND SCHOOL.																	
185.5	4	4	31		4		5		44				4		8	32	44
185	2	4	42		1		4		51	2	4	1			8	36	51
185.5	2	7	39		6		1	2	55	2	4	3	2		3	41	55
186	1	15	19	6	7		3		50			1	2		16	31	50
180	A	13		41		1			55	1	2	2	7	6	19	18	55
Totals		43	131	47	18	1	13	2	255	5	10	7	15	6	54	158	255
UNION SCHOOL.																	
186	4		33		3		7		43		1		2		2	38	43
186	3		12		2				14		2		1			11	14
186	3		24		2				26		3	1	3			19	26
186	2	1	27		4	2	2		36		3		4	1	1	27	36
186	1	12	31		7	2		2	54		2		2		11	39	54
184	A	18		37		2			57			1	1		24	31	57
Totals		31	127	37	17	6	9	2	230		11	2	13	1	38	165	230
MIDDLE STREET SCHOOL.																	
185	1		9						9			1				8	9
185	A	7		9	2				18				1		8	9	18
Totals		7	9	9	2				27			1	1		8	17	27
SOUTH WEST SCHOOL.																	
183	1	4	8	1				1	14					1	5	8	14
183	A			3					3							3	3
Totals		4	8	4				1	17					1	5	11	17
Totals		133	875	139	92	11	29	13	1292	13	28	11	69	47	166	958	1292

STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR OF TEN MONTHS ENDING JUNE 23, 1899.

Teachers.	Room.	Grade.	Enrollment.	Average Membership.	Half-day Absences.	Percentage of Average Attendance.	Tardiness.	Dismissals.	Truancies.	Visitors.
HIGH SCHOOL.										
Joseph A. Ewart, Principal										
Celia F. Stacy		11	14	12.9	304	93.7	32	9		27
Ella Macgregor		10	37	33.5	700	94.4	55	66		22
Julia Ellsworth		9	53	48.4	794	95 3	62	84		23
Conrad W. Crooker (Singing)										
Totals			104	94.8	1798	95.0	149	159		72
MONATIQUOT SCHOOL.										
W. Stanwood Field, Princip'l	1	8	45	40.6	1087	92.9	117	17		95
Josephine B. Colbert	2	7	56	56.0	1827	91.4	152	23		75
Florence L. Elliott	3	7	22	19.9	589	92 2	77	6		51
Mabel F. Alden	3	6	38	32.8	957	92.3	117	7		45
Theresa G. O'Rouke	4	6	43	40.9	1174	92.4	79	18	1	96
	4	5	14	11.9	298	93.4	59	6		87
Margaret E. C. Bannon	5	5	58	54.9	1741	91.6	280	24	1	157
Totals			276	2570	7673	92.1	881	101	2	306
JONAS PERKINS SCHOOL.										
Victoria P. Wilde, Princ'l	7	8	31	28.1	858	92.1	77	137		213
Mary E. Vining	7	7	22	17.8	464	93.0	53	23		
Nellie E. Bowles	5	6	30	25 4	880	90.9	136	65		87
Elizabeth Simmons	6	5	44	41.3	127	91.9	181	108	1	44
Grace M. Ward	8	4	40	37.5	2304	83.9	319	67		59
Nellie F. Monk	4	3	55	47.8	1438	92.1	95	36	1	130
Fannie Ellsworth	3	2	42	42.7	2013	87.7	95	36	1	205
Florence G. Fish	2	1	50	43.7	2007	88.0	103	4		205
Grace Randall Bertha H. Waldron, asst.	1	A	54	33.5	1127	91.2	39	11		220
Totals			368	3178	12362	89.8	1098	487	4	1163

Teachers.	Room.	Grade.	Enrollment.	Average Membership.	Half-day Absences.	Percentage of Average Attendance.	Tardiness.	Dismissals.	Truancies.	Visitors.
POND SCHOOL.										
Sarah L. Arnold, Principal.	4	4	39	36.6	759	94.0	63	41	2	102
Ella M. Phillips.	3	3	47	43.4	1294	92.0	118	39		69
Annie M. Brooks.	2	2	51	43.6	992	93.9	62	5		91
Margaret L. Fielden.	1	1	50	39.9	1620	89.1	115	9	2	98
Harrie M. Hill. / Cora E. Breitling.	H	A	54	34 2	1377	88.8				102
Totals,			241	1977	6042	91.8	358	94	4	462
UNION SCHOOL.										
Avis A. Thayer, principal.	4	4	40	36.9	868	93.7	34	159		583
	4	3	12	11.1	233	94 4	4	15		
Hannah C. Whelan.	3	3	26	19.3	465	93.5	18	77		404
	3	2	34	29 2	564	94.8	28	17		
Mabel L. Bates,	2	1	54	44.0	1685	89 7	57	22		608
Elizabeth B. Pray. / Belle R. Newton, asst.	1	A	57	36.9	983	92.8	59	25		283
Totals,			223	1774	4798	92.7	200	315		1878
MIDDLE STREET SCHOOL.										
Mabel T. Knight,	1	1	9	8	189	93.7	36	4		120
	1	A	18	13.	475	99.2	9	3		
Totals,			27	21.2	664	91.5	45	7		120
SOUTH WEST SCHOOL.										
Marion L. Rogers,	1	1	15	11.2	453	89.(	19	.1		91
	1	A	3	3.0	154	86.(	6			
Totals,			18	14 2	607	88.2	25	1		91
Totals,			1257	10801.1	33,944	91.7	2756	1164	10	4392

STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOR THE FOUR MONTHS ENDING DECEMBER 22, 1899.

Teachers.	Room.	Garde.	Enrollment.	Average Membership.	Half-day Absences.	Percentage of Average Attendance.	Tardiness.	Dismissals.	Truancies.	Visitors.	Average Age of Pupils September 15, 1899.		
HIGH SCHOOL.													
Principal—											Y	M	D
Joseph A. Ewart		12	4	4.0	38	93.9	9	7		2	16	9	15
Harry A. Wason		11	27	25.0	188	95.2	16	22			15	10	0
Celia F. Stacy		10	36	33.0	326	93.7	19	20			14	9	1
Ella Macgregor		9	67	63.6	570	94.3	48	20			14	2	52
Bertha P. Chase		S	2	1.0	5	96.8	3						
Totals			176	126.6	1127	94.3	95	69		2			
MONATIQUOT SCHOOL.													
Principal— W. Stanwood Field													
Josephine B. Colbert	1	8	44	43.3	448	93.4	51	12		32	13	6	2
Marg't E. C. Bannon	2	8	19	15.6	262	89.2	15	1		27	13	10	1
	2	6	26	25.3	466	87.9	19	2	2		11	6	27
Theresa G. O'Rourke	3	7	37	35.4	550	90.0	23	7		33	12	9	0
Amy W. Shaw	4	7	39	38.1	517	91.3	37	8		24	12	1	10
Mabel F. Alden	7	6	45	40.3	578	90.8	75	5		21	11	8	23
M. Esther Pilse	6	5	52	50.6	592	92.5	77			20	10	8	27
Alice M. Lilly	5	5	37	31.9	435	91.1	76	10		33	10	5	19
	5	4	19	17.5	225	91.8	18	17			9	4	3
Totals			318	298.0	4073	91.2	391	62	2	190			
JONAS PERKINS SHCOOL.													
Principal—													
Victoria P. Wilde	7	8	18	17.2	45	98.3	20	13		45	13	4	15
Nellie E. Bowles	7	7	23	20.8	187	94.2	7	2			12	9	23
Mary E. Vining	5	6	42	39.2	630	87.7	86	35	1	22	12	0	22
Grace M. Ward	6	5	36	31.6	507	89.7	70	28		17	11	2	18
Carrie A. Rogers	8	4	47	42.9	573	91.4	54	29	3	29	9	11	5
Nellie F. Monk	4	3	50	47.7	483	93.5	37	10	3	51	8	7	13
Viola Bicknell	3	2	50	49.9	937	88.0	46	12	1	28	6	8	8
Florence G. Fish	2	1	48	49.4	1156	85.0	34	3		25	5	8	16
Grace Randall / Mary E. Kennedy	1	A	36	31.0	399	92.0	30	6		65	4	0	5
Totals			350	330.7	4917	90.5	384	138	8	282			

STATISTICAL REPORT.—*Continued.*

Teachers	Room.	Grade.	Enrollment.	Average Membership	Half-day Absences.	Percentage of Average Attendance.	Tardiness.	Dismissals.	Truancies.	Visitors.	Average Age of Pupils September 15, 1899.
PON SCHOOL.											
Principal—											
Sarah L. Arnold	4	4	47	40.4	18	93.4	18	12		20	9 5 20
Rosa E. S. Bayley	3	3	47	44.3	73	93.2	28	22		30	8 11 18
Annie M. Brooks	2	2	45	43.1	97	94.1	30	8		21	7 5 20
Margaret L. Fielden	1	1	43	42.4	05	88.1	43	5		43	5 4 21
Harriet M. Hill M'bl E. Whitcomb	H	A	44	38.6	580	88.4				49	4 5 29
Totals			226	208.8	2653	91.9	119	47		16	
UNION SCHOOL.											
Principal—											
Avis A. Thayer	4	4	21	18.3	73	93.9	9	46		189	9 4 3
	4	3	29	26.8	252	94.0	11	12			8 5 4
Hannah C. Whelan	3	2	41	39.5	63	90.6	12	5		106	7 5 25
Mabel L. Bates	2	1	44	42.7	72	89.9	26	7	2	134	6 0 11
Elizabeth B. Pray Nina B. Gage, ast.	1	A	45	41.2	67	91.2	75	9		72	4 6 20
Totals			180	168.5	2227	91.5	133	7	2	501	
MIDDLE STREET SCHOOL.											
Mabel T. Knight		1	6	6.6	29	98.3	2	2		59	5 9 17
		A	14	12.7	216	89.1	7	2			4 6 19
Totals				19.3	245	91.9	9	4		29	
SOUTHWEST SCHOOL.											
Marion L. Rogers		1	8	8.0	34	97.3	7			38	6 2 22
		A	9	8.8	216	84.3	3	2			4 0 27
Totals			17	16.8	250	90.5	10	2		38	
Totals			1241	1168.7	15492	91.5	1141	401	12	1236	
" 1898			1154	1076.4	11125	93.2	1030	499	3	2336	
Year's increase			87	92.3							

Helen E. Hewes, Supervisor of Drawing.
Mary L. French, Teacher of Singing in Primary Schools.

The graduating exercises of the High School were held in the Town Hall, Thursday evening, June 22, 1899.

PROGRAM.

Quartette—"Hope Beyond"
Miss Vesta Dobson, Miss Catherine Barnes,
Miss Winifred Shay, Miss Marian Baldwin.

Solo—"Queen of the Earth" — Pinsuti
Miss Catherine Barnes.

Invocation.

Solo, with violin obligato—"Waiting" — Millard
Miss Winifred Shay.

Quintette—"The Cat and the Sparrow" — Sherwood

Address — William C. Bates

Quartette—"The Moonlight" — Calcott

Solo, with violin obligato—"Angel's Serenade" — Braga
Miss Vesta Dobson.

Presentation of Diplomas — Rev. C. F. Hill Crathern

Chorus—Kipling's "Recessional Hymn," Music by Ryder

GRADUATES.

Marian Frances Baldwin	3 years course
Vesta May Dobson	3 " "
Lucy Cummings Hollis	3 " "
William Peter Kelley	3 " "
Florence Ethel Killian	3 " "
Edith Pearl Lawson	3 " "
Grace Isabelle Loring	3 " "
Charles Edward Orr	3 " "
Otto Samuel Rymarczick	3 " "
Clara Edwina Shay	3 " "
Alice Stevens	3 " "
Edna Annie Stewart	3 " "
Carlton Leroy Kennedy	4 " "
Winnifred Greely Shay	special certificate

The following table shows the branches of study taught in the High school during the present year, the number of pupils pursuing each, and the year in the school of each class :—

Branches of Study.	First Year.	Second Year.	Third Year.	Fourth Year.	Totals
English,	67	36	29	5	137
French,	25	15	27	4	71
Latin,	42	21	2	1	66
Greek,	—	11	1	1	13
Algebra,	67	36	—	—	103
Geometry,	—	—	13	1	14
History,	40	6	—	—	46
Shorthand & T. W.	—	—	17	4	21
Physics,	—	19	—	1	20
Chemistry,	—	—	12	1	13
Arithmetic,	1	4	—	—	5
Drawing,	41	10	1	—	51

GRADUATES OF THE GRAMMAR SCHOOLS, JUNE 22, 1899.

Monatiquot Grammar School.

Mary Emily Arnold.
Elma Beatrice Borden.
Olive Guest Carson.
Catherine Chamberlain.
William Lott Cullivan.
Alfred David DeCoste.
John Henry Devine.
Arthur Wendall Drollett.
Eva Lillian Dyer.
Harold Cushing Faxon.
Etta Lavina Hayden.
Catherine Mary Hennessey.
Catherine Elizabeth Hill.
Mary Lyons.
Eva Lauretta Osborne.
Rose Caroline Phillips.
Ethel Maud Rogers.
Donald Curtis Storrs.
Charles Gordon Whitcomb.
Fred McKenzie Arnold.
Ralph Willard Burnham.
Harold Stilmon Cone.
Minnie Etta Cook.
Willard Mortimer Davenport.
Joseph Leo Dennehy.
John Jerdon Drinkwater.
Walter Edward Dunkerley.
Lora Augusta Emerson.
Chester Prince Gardner.
Benjamin Arthur Healey.
Florence Wilmot Hill.
Clara Nettie Maria Holbrook.
Joseph Gregg Morrison.
Gertrude Isabelle Parker.
Walter Bartlett Robbins.
Joseph Theodore Shay.
Helen Thompson Waite.
Edna Eugenie Woodsum.
Gertrude Young.

Jonas Perkins School.

Francis Henry Billings.
Edith Osborne Crocker.
Mary Helen DeNeil.
Mabel Dugan.
Kathryn Beatrice Galvin.
George Herbert Kelley.
Sadie Orr.
Edith Helen Rowel.
Charles Thomas Rymarczick.
May Cornelia Starr.
Freedom Davis Storme.
Harry Sumner Tarbox.
William Mathew Billings.
Grace Waterman Dailey.
Gertrude Elizabeth Dowd.
Agnes May Galvin.
Flora Amelia Hearn.
John Lawrence Kiley.
William Sanborn Perry.
Mary Annie Ryan.
Willard Perkins Sheppard.
James Stevens.
Fred Charles Tarbox.
Alfred Merton Vinton.
Harold Wentworth Wellington.

APPOINTMENT AND SALARIES OF TEACHERS.

The following regulations govern the appointment, salaries and promotions of teachers be adopted.

1. All persons appointed regular teachers in the kindergarten, primary and grammar schools of Braintree shall be graduates of high schools in good standing and shall hold a state normal school diploma for at least a two years' course or have an equivalent preparation. Time spent in successful college study is considered equivalent to the same time in a st normal school.

All persons appointed regular teachers in the Braintree High school shall have received a four years' college diploma, or an equivalent preparation.

2. The salaries of the principal of the High school, of the principals of the Jonas Perkins and Monatiquot schools, and of all special instructors and supervisors shall be determined in each case by special vote of the committee.

3. The minimum salary of regular assistant teachers in primary and grammar grades shall be $400 per school year of forty weeks, and the maximum salary of such teachers shall be $500.

4. The minimum salary of regular teachers in the kindergartens shall be $320 per school year of forty weeks and the maximum salary of such teachers shall be $400.

5. The minimum salary of principals of the Pond and Union Primary schools shall be $500 per school year of forty weeks and their maximum salary shall be $560.

6. The annual increase of salary of teachers enumerated in sections 3, 4 and 5 shall be $20 for each teacher until the maximum salary is reached, provided such increase be voted by the School Committee.

7. The minimum salary of assistant teachers in the High

school shall be $500 per school year of forty weeks and the maximum salary of such teachers shall be $750. The annual increase in the salary of the High school assistants shall be $40 provided such increase be voted by the school committee.

8. The salary of teachers of the district schools shall be $400 per school year of forty weeks.

9. The salary of trainers in kindergartens shall be $60 per school year of forty weeks.

10. Experience in teaching, whether in or out of town, may be considered in fixing the salaries of teachers.

11. The salary of a temporary substitute teacher in any grade of the elementary schools shall be two-thirds of the minimum salary of a regular assistant teacher in such grade.

TEACHERS' TRAINING SCHOOL.

The following regulations control the admission of students, as trainers for teachers, to the Braintrees schools:

1. No more than eight students may be admitted to the public schools of Braintree to prepare for the service of teaching.

2. To be admitted to this preparatory class the students shall have been residents of Braintree at least one year, and shall be graduates of a High School of approved standard, or give satisfactory evidence of education of a corresponding grade and shall posses superior scholarship, good moral character, and shall give indications of personal force, and refinement of speech and manners,—in short, "a happy native endowment, including physique, presence, health, temper, scholarly power, tact, patience, ambition, moral spirit, lovableness."

3. Students can be admitted to this class regularly during the first month of the school year. They may be admitted at other times only by special vote of the School Committee. All admissions must meet the approval of the School Committee. Members of this class may be notified by the School Committee that their connections with the public schools have ceased, when in the judgment of said committee such students are disqualified for the service of teaching.

4. Students who enter this class must sign a pledge to perform faithfully all work reasonably required of them, to remain in the class until the end of the school year in June, to be constant and punctual in attendance, and to be present at all teachers' meetings of which they are notified, if not excused. They shall also sign an agreement not to become an applicant for a position as teacher in the public schools of Braintree until they have taught successfully in other schools at least one year.

5. They shall pursue courses, as outlined by the Superintendent of Schools; [1] in educational psychology, the history of education and the general principles of pedagogics; [2] in school organization and management; [3] in school discipline

and hygiene; and [4] in methods of teaching the different branches of the school curriculum.

6. They shall observe and practice in the schools under the general direction of the Superintendent and the special direction of the principal of the school in which they are placed.

7. During the first five months of their membership in the class, they shall not be given the independent control of a class of pupils, except as substitutes to supply temporary vacancies in the regular teaching force. At no time shall their teaching practice be permitted to be detrimental to the pupils.

8. The regular substitutes shall, as far as possible, be chosen from the students who have been members of this class more than five months. No one who has not been a member of the class five months, shall substitute in the same vacancy more than five days at a time unless such substituting is perfectly satisfactory to the School Committee and Superintendent.

9. The pay of the students of this class, while substituting, shall be the same as of all regular substitutes.

10. A certificate will be granted to all students who complete satisfactorily the year's course.

Although a teachers' training school had been under consideration since September, 1898, the above regulations were not approved until November 18, 1899. This was too late to permit applicants to take the regular course during the present school year. Miss Ethel M. Brooks and Miss Edith P. Lawson are members of this class during the present school year.

Perhaps it ought to be said that educational people do not generally consider preparation for teaching in such a training class as is indicated above a satisfactory substitute for normal or college training. The class has been established with a desire to help our worthy young men and women who do not wish to attend a normal school or college, to study and practice teaching at home.

An increasing number of our best teachers have accepted more attractive positions elsewhere. While our salaries are low in comparison with the standard that we are striving to reach, many other considerations, such as a congenial social life, official encouragement and sympathy, and opportunity to do one's best, have done much to retain good teachers; and some tempting offers have been declined. We are under continued obligations to Mr. Thomas A. Watson for paying extra salaries of superior teachers, in one case at the rate of one hundred and fifty dollars a year, to keep them from accepting other positions.

Miss Annie E. Crowell has gone to Haverhill; Miss Ethel E. Roberts and Miss Emily A. Lapham to Brockton; and Miss Theresa G. O'Rouke to Brookline.

The standard of work in our schools is constantly improving. The pupils of the grammar schools have been given two tests in spelling during the past year, on the same basis as the test

given to the schools in 1879, by Mr. G. A. Walton, State Inspector, one by the Superintendent and the other by Dr. John T. Prince, State Inspector. Both tests revealed substantially the same condition — an improvement of about fifty per cent. of the earlier standard. While this represents a fair average of improvement in all other forms of mechanical drill, the greatest improvements have been in the development of rational thought and vital human interests, and of a higher ethical and æsthetic emotional life.

Our one great need is a more complete system of manual or industrial training. Our girls should be taught all forms of domestic service in accordance with the best standards, and our boys should be given a thorough training in wood and metal work in connection with industrial drawing. With this training to take the place of some of the less practical things that are taught at present, our young people will be far more serviceable to society, will possess a higher intelligence, and will be able to enjoy life more fully. Can we not unite to do something along these lines during the coming year?

It seems enough to say that our High School membership has increased from one hundred three to one hundred thirty-six pupils. A strong corps of teachers is doing good work along all lines, but it must be apparent to all that an ideal High School cannot be had in cramped apartments on the third floor of a grammar school building. The results of the commercial training are beginning to be manifest. A number of girls have taken first-class positions and are doing their work with much credit. In short, the school has been unable to supply the demand for service in this direction.

I cannot help feeling deeply grateful to the people of Braintree for their kindly indulgence and continued loyalty and support. A growing cordial and sympathetic co-operation of parents and teachers is apparent. The aims and purposes of both are the same. Good schools must be made by us all working unitedly together. I wish our citizens to know how much I appreciate kindly criticism. I have striven with all my power to help make our schools most highly serviceable to the children, and I am sure that no one has a keener appreciation than I have of their defects.

Our schools owe much to the fidelity, high purpose, intelligence and watchfulness of the School Committee. The harmony and good will that have prevailed in the school department during the past year have been due largely to the fairness of your Board. I am deeply grateful to you for uniform kindly consideration. I am under deep obligations to our teachers for their loyalty and faithfulness.

Respectfully,

IRVING W. HORNE,

Superintendent of Schools.

Braintree, Mass., February 14, 1900.

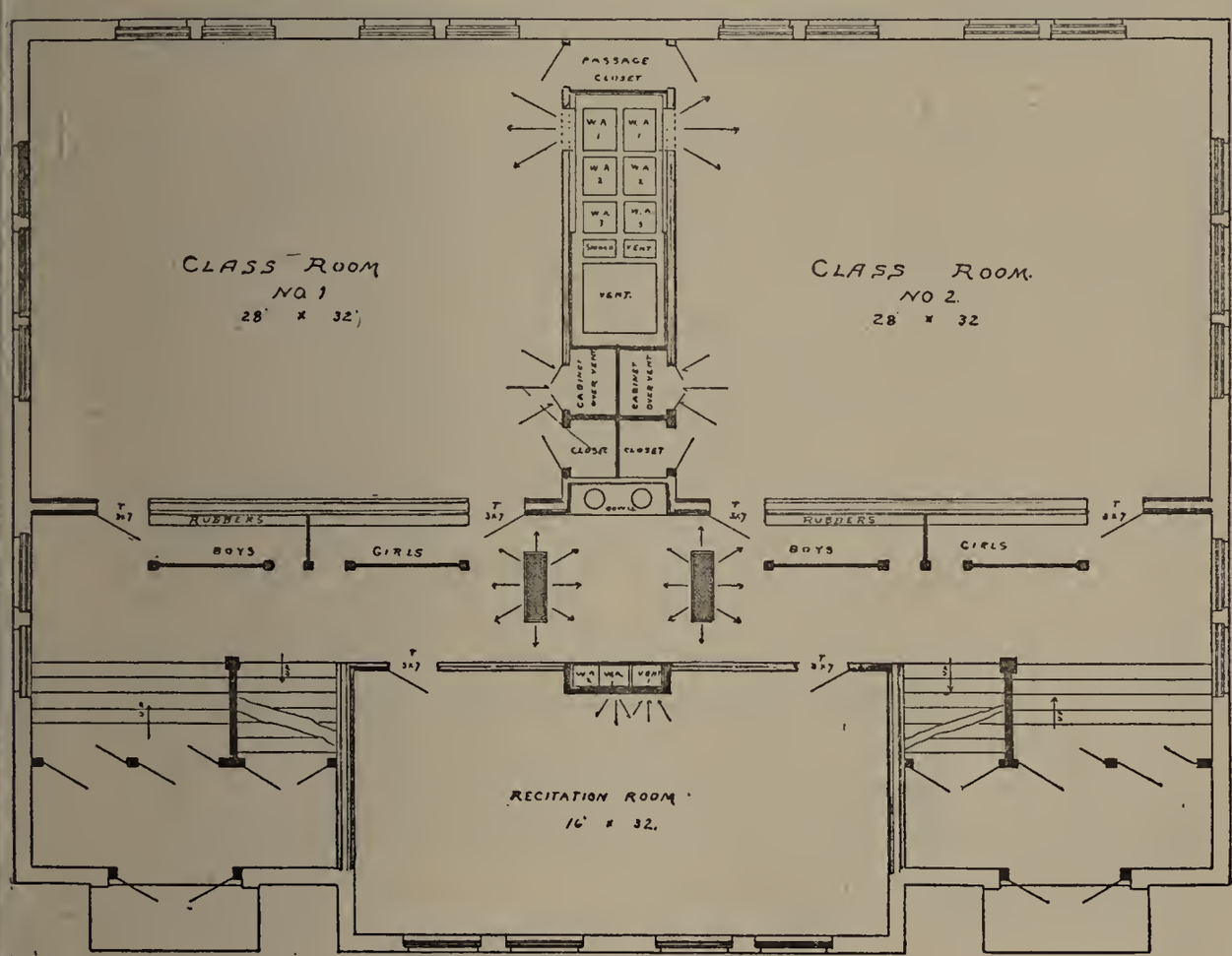
REPORT OF PROGRESS OF THE BUILDING COMMITTEE OF THE PENNIMAN SCHOOLHOUSE.

As the Penniman schoolhouse is nearly completed and a final report cannot be made to the town until the next annual report is published, the Building Committee has thought it wise to make a general report of progress.

The accompanying cuts of the building and the first and second floors give a better idea of the general appearance and the plan of the building than any description in words can give. As will be seen, there are two class rooms of the regular size, a large recitation room and a spacious corridor and pupils' wardrobe on each floor. The basement contains three large Smith & Anthony schoolhouse furnaces, a coal room of about forty tons capacity, two play rooms, bicycle rooms, a janitor's room and the water closets and sanitaries. A cesspool receiving the drainage from the building, is placed three or four hundred feet below the building on the edge of the meadow, the donor

of the land, Mr. N. E. Hollis, having deeded his cesspool right to the town.

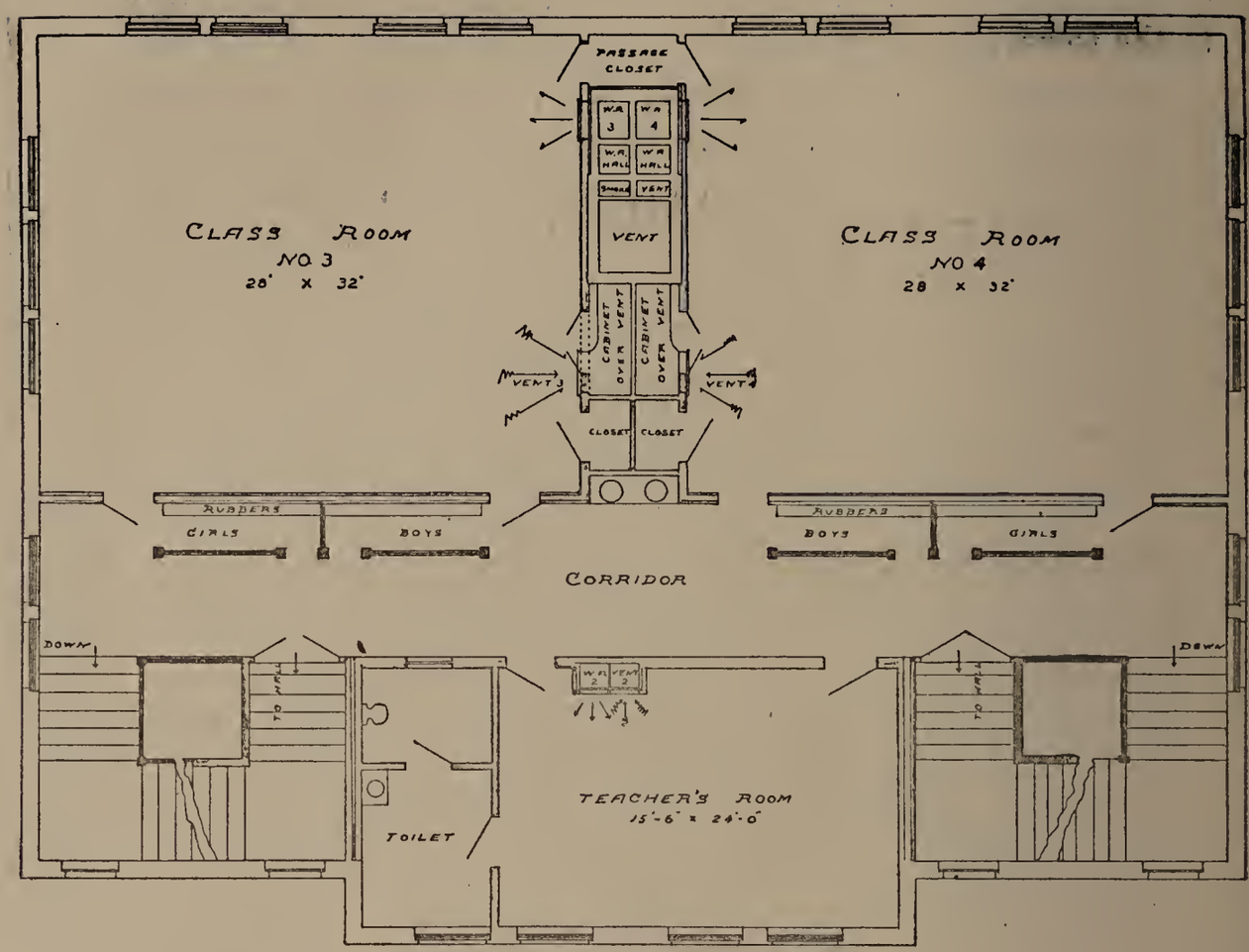
The house is built of brick, the class rooms are double windowed, and the roof is covered with slate. The roof is so framed as to give an unfinished room on the third floor of sufficient size to be finished into a hall capable of seating about 600 people, or of being adapted to any other use. The rooms are equippod with closets for books etc., and toilet rooms are connected with the recitation room on the second floor.



FIRST FLOOR PLAN.
SCALE 1/16 in. to 1 foot.

PENNIMAN SCHOOL.
BRAINTREE, MASS.

The building is so designed as to admit of economical extension to an eight-room schoolhouse.



SECOND FLOOR PLAN
SCALE 1/16 IN TO FOOT.

The work thus far done gives promise of a building of neat, substantial and economical construction. The Building Committee feel under great obligations to Mr. Hollis for donating the lot, because it seemed impossible to pay for a lot and build a house worthy of the town within the appropriation.

Mr. George H. Arnold and Mr. George H. Holbrook of the Building Committee are a special committee on construction.

For the Building Committee,

GEORGE H. ARNOLD, *Chairman.*
IRVING W. HORNE, *Secretary.*

BRAINTREE, MASS., January 27, 1900.

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